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CARDINAL'S DEATH DEMANDED

Prosecutor Ends Case; Verdict Due Tomorrow

AMERICANS IMPLICATED

Budapest, February 5. The Hungarian State prosecutor, Mr. Gyula Alapi, today demanded that the heaviest punishment—death—be imposed upon Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty for crimes against the Government.

Bank Notes In Circulation

Bank notes in circulation in Hong Kong at the end of last year totalled HK\$783,206,700, according to official statistics.

The notes are those issued by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HK\$228,376,790); the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China (HK\$51,052,804); and the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited (HK\$3,777,115).

The total does not include the HK\$1, 10-cent and five-cent issue by the Hong Kong Government.

At the end of 1940, there were only HK\$231,464,880 in bank notes, circulated by the three banks, in the Colony. The total at the end of 1946 was HK\$458,886,471.

Fire Razes Town In Philippines

Manila, February 5. A terrible fire which raged for about eight hours today in Cotabato, West Central Mindanao, rendered an estimated 8,000 homeless and destroyed private and public properties worth U.S.\$4,000,000, according to a wired report received by President Quirino from Governor Uldog Matulan.

The fire started in the town of the Mary Immaculate Order and a native of Inchicore, Ireland, was reported burned to death in Cotabato. He was the only casualty reported thus far.

Press reports said that according to an eyewitness, the fire started in a shop behind an old Chinese school building about 5 a.m. but the origin was undetermined.

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The demand was made in the prosecution summation of the case against the Cardinal and his six co-defendants.

"It is not Josef Mindszenty, head of Hungary's Roman Catholic Church who is indicted, but it is Josef Mindszenty, Hungarian citizen who committed great crimes, who is responsible, whether he wears the purple of Cardinal or is clad in rags," the prosecutor declared.

Mr. Alapi said "there is not a law in the whole world which would not strike with the heaviest punishment for the crimes of the defendants. Hungarian democracy has the same right. I, as prosecutor, would be guilty of sabotaging my office if I did not proceed accordingly."

"The verdict should be a hard-hitting example," he told the five-man People's Court trying the Cardinal on charges of treason, espionage, black marketing and plotting to overthrow the Government.

"In bringing in a verdict the court must take into consideration Cardinal Mindszenty's position which renders his crimes the heavier because his crimes make the Church appear as an enemy of the Republic."

'They Were Spies'

"Not one of the defendants denied that the letter, documents, etc. (presented as Government evidence) are varied. They plotted against the Republic. They were spies."

The prosecutor also attempted to link Americans with the monarchist conspiracy charged against the Cardinal by bringing in the name of the American Minister, Mr. Selden Chapin.

"Mindszenty asked Chapin for help and the latter promised it to him," said Alapi. He also referred to Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York in his summation of charges against the Hungarian Primate.

Mr. Alapi said Cardinal Spellman collaborated with Cardinal Mindszenty to prevent the return of the crown of St. Stephen to Hungary. The crown was presented to St. Stephen by the Pope in the year 1,000. It was recovered by American troops in Germany, where it was last reported.

The prosecutor also charged Cardinal Spellman conceived the idea of authorising Archduke Otto of Hapsburg, President of the Throne of Hungary, to represent Hungarian Catholics abroad in case Cardinal Mindszenty was prevented from doing so.

The Hungarian Cardinal is charged with conspiring to restore the Throne of Hungary under the Archduke. The prosecutor charged, the idea of the authorisation that Cardinal Mindszenty gave to the Archduke to represent Hungarian Catholics abroad was conceived by Cardinal Spellman.

Yellow Book

According to the Yellow Book of charges against the Primate, Cardinal Mindszenty confessed he gave Archduke Otto a letter at Cardinal Spellman's behest. The letter said "In case I am prevented from doing so, Otto would be entitled to represent the Catholics of Hungary."

The prosecutor said Cardinal Mindszenty wanted to crown one of the Hapsburgs which would have brought back feudal oppression. He said the Cardinal and his followers speculated on a new war and therefore they wanted to make certain representatives and agents of the United States believe the monarchist movement was strong and that the people hated the people's democracy.

"Cardinal Mindszenty had to raise the political value of Otto in the eyes of American politicians," said the prosecutor.

He added he did not want to go into the Cardinal's religious life, he did not want to

activities before his arrest last December. "I do not want to arouse even suspicion that this trial is for religious reasons."

Mr. Alapi also referred to the charges made by the Vatican that Cardinal Mindszenty was dragged so a confession could be obtained from him more easily.

"Those who have attended the trial can testify it had been fair and such as would have been held in any other country. Who would dare to state the accused did not speak freely?"

(American and British representatives had been barred from attending the trial, according to official charges made in Washington and London yesterday).

Court officials said later that they expected sentence to be passed on Monday. — United Press.

(For earlier phase of trial—see page 9)

Two Killed In Gun Fight On KCR Train

In a gun battle between smugglers and Chinese Maritime Customs officials on the 9 a.m. Canton-bound express across the Shumchun border yesterday morning, two passengers were killed and three persons were seriously injured.

The three persons injured, one of whom was a CMC official, were removed to Kowloon hospital.

The incident occurred during a routine search by CMC officials at Shumchun. The shooting started when contraband was discovered.

Up to a late hour last night no information was available as to whether any of the smugglers were arrested.

Departure of the train was delayed for more than an hour as the result of the shooting.

Three-Year Sentence In Bigamy Case

A sentence of two years' hard labour for bigamy and one year's hard labour for making a false statement under oath, the sentences to be concurrent, was passed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday on William Henry Walter Thorne, aged 34, a third class shipwright from HMS London.

Mr. d'Almada said that defendant was charged with bigamously marrying Emilie Maria Gill during the lifetime of his legal wife. An additional charge of making a false statement with reference to marriage had been preferred.

To these charges the defendant had pleaded guilty and put in a written statement in mitigation.

The defendant applied for a marriage licence as required by law, he said. "Upon that application certain formalities have to be complied with and the main formalities is an oath as to his status, i.e. whether a bachelor or otherwise."

"Upon taking this oath it strikes me that a person, unless insane, must recall whether he is free to enter into a bond of marriage, a bond binding until freed either by the death of the other party or by a pronouncement of dissolution by a Court of competent jurisdiction."

"Any person, whether a male or a female, upon reaching an age of understanding, except an insane person or an idiot knows that such a bond should continue until it is put to an end as above stated and that it is a criminal act to marry again during the subsistence of a former marriage and upon the commission of that offence, a penalty shall be imposed."

"I have viewed the statement of the defendant from every possible angle and I am unable to see that there are any circumstances wherein I am able to take a lenient view of the offence."

Under Section 11 of the Penal Code, it is an offence for a person to marry again while his former wife is living.

New Governor Of Kwangtung



Filipinos Of LST Crew Refuse To Sign On For Trip To Red China

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

The Filipino engineers and radio operator of the Panamanian LST North Star are negotiating to resign because they say it is too dangerous to visit a Chinese Communist port.

They claimed that the North Star called at Red-controlled Shi Tau, instead of her destination, Chennampo, North Korea.

Mr. U. Rasmussen, Danish master, and the local Chinese agents, however, denied that the North Star visited any Chinese Communist port.

Both stated that the ship discharged 300 tons of medical supplies at the North Korean port on her last trip.

Twenty-three of their colleagues and the American chief officer and the New Zealand chief engineer have already left the ship last month on her arrival here from the North, alleging that the North Star called at Shi Tau, which is about 18 hours by ship from Chennampo.

"We are quitting because it is too dangerous to go up North and also because the weather there is too severe," the six Filipinos, including the chief engineer and his assistants, the radio operator and the chief electrician, declared yesterday aboard the vessel.

The North Star arrived in Hong Kong last Friday after her second trip to Shi Tau, bringing back about 1,400 tons of beans, oils and

In one of his first public speeches General Haush Yueh, the new Governor of Kwangtung province, pledged to do his best. He is credited with the successful defence against three Japanese onslaughts against the beleaguered city of Changsha during the war.

As Governor of Kwangtung he is reported to have the support of ranking Cantonese. — AP Photo.

ss. Masbate Owners To Lodge Protest

A protest will be made by the owners of the ss. Masbate, which sank after colliding with the ss. Hsiang Hsing off Foochow on January 31 en route to Shanghai, the "Sunday Herald" was reliably informed yesterday.

Preliminary measures were taken yesterday when Mr. Wong Chun-yun, second officer and the only survivor among the six officers aboard the Portuguese freighter, was taken to see the company's solicitors for his official version of the accident to be recorded.

Mr. Wong, one of the 11 members of the personnel who jumped on to the Chinese steamer before she pulled away from the Masbate, arrived here on Friday by plane from Swatow with the bosun and quartermaster.

Singapore Plans

Singapore, February 5. Singapore Chinese merchants are prepared to forget politics and deal with Communist North China for the sake of trade.

They are planning with associates in Hong Kong to float a 1,000,000 Straits dollar syndicate. It will supply Malayan rubber, copra and palm oil to the Communists for China's reconstruction in specially chartered ships. — Associated Press.

resigned on their arrival here last month, refusing to go North again. "I procured a map of the town from a Customs official to identify it," the chief engineer said.

"On our arrival at that port, a party of yellow-uniformed soldiers, fully armed, boarded our vessel with the Customs," the chief engineer related. The Asiatic crew, then all Filipinos, were lined up and checked by the soldiers through an interpreter.

"We were permitted ashore in the company of the charterer's officials who travelled with us and who possessed the necessary papers."

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BRITONS TRAPPED

Rangoon, February 5. Twenty-seven Britons, including women and children, were today trapped in smoke-filled houses, a town 10 miles North of Rangoon, where heavy fighting has been going on since Monday.

A British Embassy spokesman said that efforts to evacuate them to Rangoon had failed because of the fighting. Reuters.

Dr. Sun's Dismissal By Li Rumoured; S'hai Market Panic

Nanking, February 5. Unconfirmed reports here today said that President Li Tsung-jen has threatened to dismiss Dr. Sun Fo unless he returns to Nanking when required.

These reports climaxed speculation about the Government crisis following Dr. Sun's arrival in Canton.

News of his arrival surprised observers here, because an official statement said that the Prime Minister would first return to Nanking before going to Canton.

Reds To Receive Peace Delegates

Peiping, February 6. The Communists have agreed to receive a peace delegation from Shanghai headed by the famed elder statesman, Dr. W.W. Yen.

Arrangements were made in a telephone talk on Friday from Shanghai with General Yeh Chieh-ying, head of the military Control Committee of the Peiping area.

General Yeh stipulated that, 1—the talks must be held in secret and no disclosures of their course or result made to the press without his approval; 2—no newsmen shall accompany the delegation, and 3—delegates shall come as representatives of the Chinese people, not as representatives of the Nationalist Government.

Barring unexpected developments, the delegates will fly to Peiping tomorrow. — Associated Press.

As expected, prices of all vital commodities and foodstuffs climbed steeply and in many cases shop-keepers refused to sell after running themselves dizzy changing price tags.

Price soared to a new record high of more than 10,000 per cent a picul but even at this fantastic figure a rise of nearly 7,000 in one week—little if it was on sale.

Meanwhile, four Communist columns under General Chen Yi are moving toward the Yangtze River bank South West of Nanking from the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, the Central Daily News reported today.

This latest heavy Communist troop movement seemed to have taken the Nationalist generals by surprise. The paper said its exact objective was unknown. — Reuters and United Press.

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Undercarriage Of Skymaster Damaged In Landing

Making a landing at Kai Tak for repairs, an Alaskan Airways' Skymaster burst one of its wheels and damaged its undercarriage on Friday. The pilot and crew were not hurt. On charter between Shanghai and Aden, the plane developed engine trouble at Shanghai. It flew to Hong Kong on three engines for repairs here. There were no passengers on board.

It was officially stated yesterday that the pilot, when over Hong Kong, signalled for permission to land on 07 runway. He was told twice by the Control Tower that it was inadvisable to land there as work was in progress. He, however, landed. Making a bad approach, the Skymaster cleared on a width of only 26 yards.

Health Law Offences

During January, Sanitary Department personnel arrested and charged 830 persons for offences under the Summary Offences Ordinance. The majority of the offences were dumping of refuse and obeying calls of nature in public places.

The figure is 170 more than the number in the preceding month.

The Urban Council yesterday appealed for public co-operation in reporting, either in person or by phone any sanitary nuisances that arise, to the Urban Council Offices, General Post Building, third floor, or to the nearest Health District Office.

Complaints or enquiries after office hours should be made to the Disinfecting Stations where an inspector is always on duty. The telephone numbers of these stations are 39276 (Hong Kong), and 57435 (Kowloon).

Residents Leave Local Estates

Local estate, sworn under \$117,000, was left by Mr. James Shaw Cairns, retired Marine Surveyor of Lloyd's Register of Shipping, who died at Greenock, Scotland, on May 25, 1948. An application for re-sealing certified copy Confirmation of Executor and relative Codicil, has been granted to Mr. H. J. Armstrong, Solicitor.

Mr. Stanley Allan Hall, formerly of Boyes Croft, Dunmoy, Essex, England, who died at 147, Fleur Avenue de Blancy, Vevey, Switzerland, on March 24, 1948, left local estate sworn under \$44,900. An application for re-sealing certified copy Probate has been granted to Mr. C. D. Slade for and on behalf of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Hong Kong (Trustee) Limited.

As a result of applying the emergency brake, one of the wheels burst.

It was officially stated that the pilot had been only twice in Hong Kong previously, was possibly still new to the place and not fully aware of local conditions.

Crow Of Eight

An official of Wallon and Company, agents for Alaskan Airways, told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that the plane, a Skymaster DC-4, carried eight crew. It arrived here at 2 p.m. from Shanghai on a charter service to Aden. It came to Hong Kong for repairs. A defect in the hydraulic system compelled the pilot to lock the wheels.

The representative denied that the pilot was advised not to land on any particular runway.

Decree Nisi Granted

A Decree Nisi was granted at the Supreme Court yesterday by Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice).

Mrs. Edith Yates de Saille Robertson of Sydney, Australia. Mrs. de Saille Robertson sued for a dissolution of her marriage to Mr. Cameron de Saille Robertson on the grounds of adultery. When the case was first heard on January 22, Sir Leslie Gibson intimated that he wished to be satisfied on the question of domicile.

At yesterday's hearing, Mr. de Saille Robertson came before the Court and said that he regarded Hong Kong as his home and intended to stay here.

Mr. V. L. J. D'Alton, instructed by Mr. H. Capstick of Messrs. Deacons, represented Mrs. de Saille Robertson.

Mr. D. B. Evans of Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master held a watching brief on behalf of Mr. de Saille Robertson.

A Decree Nisi, granted to Mrs. Martha Groundwater (petitioner) on November 3, 1948, was made Absolute at the Supreme Court yesterday by Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice).

The petitioner sued for a dissolution of her marriage to Mr. Maxwell Innes Groundwater, on the grounds of adultery. Mr. F. G. Nigel of Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master represented the petitioner.



Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hicks are shown leaving the Roman Catholic Cathedral after their wedding yesterday.—"Sunday Herald" Photo.

Wedding At The Catholic Cathedral

There was a large attendance at the Roman Catholic Cathedral yesterday afternoon to witness the wedding of Miss Margaret Agnes Quark to Mr. Walter George Hicks.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. E. Quark and the late Mr. F. W. Quark of Bundaberg, Queensland, Australia.

Miss Quark, given away by Mr. Cheung U-pui, entered the church in a gown of satin-headed sweet-heart yoke-attired long torso bodice and ruffled skirt with a tulle overskirt ending in a graceful train, and carried a bouquet of gladioli.

Attending the bride, was her sister, Miss A. Quark. She was dressed in pink tulle, shirred bodice with skirt full and flared, and carried a bouquet of sweet-peas.

Mr. Norman Broadbridge was the best man.

The Reverend Father D. Bazzo officiated after the wedding a reception was held in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel where the couple received congratulations and good wishes from those present.

The honeymoon will be spent at Macao and the bride's going-away dress will be Crapo-Aqua-gold trimmings and brown accessories.

Hawes—Davies

The wedding of Major Henry Joseph Hawes and Mrs. Megan Margaret Davies took place at the Supreme Court Marriage Registrar's Office yesterday in the presence of Messrs. J. H. Collins and J. H. Keys.

The following forthcoming weddings have been announced: Mr. Noel Edwin Arthy, Electrical Engineer, Republic Bay Hotel, and Miss Ellen Mary Shing, Secretary, Helena May Institute.

Cpl. Rowland Heath, RAMC, British Military Hospital, Kowloon, and Miss Marie Kwan of 220 Tai Nam Street, Kowloon. At the Supreme Court Marriage Registrar's Office yesterday, the wedding of Mr. Ng Jie Thy, 141, Hei Hong Kowling, University, and Miss Joyce Wong took place in the presence of Messrs. Del Tio Pin and Kwong Sea Wai.

R. A. PRIVATE REMANDED

On the application of Detective Sub-Inspector W. H. Summers, Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday remanded Private James Woodward, aged 25, 25th Field Regiment, R.A., stationed at Gun Club Hill Barracks, for five days in military custody.

Accused was charged with stealing, together with Arthur Robert Jolly, four Kodak cameras from Whitfield Barracks, on various dates in November last, and alternatively, receiving with Jolly, the four guns.

The court also fixed February 15 and 16 for hearing of the charges against accused, and Jolly who was charged on the same counts two days ago.

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Correspondence

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Doctor's Department

Sir,—With reference to the letter written by Flat Justina Hunt Coulton in your esteemed paper, I feel I have to make a few statements so as to be fair to the lady doctor concerned. The facts of the case were as follows:—The patient was suffering from a threatened abortion and the lady doctor was called in to treat her. In a few weeks, during which period, although she managed to keep the foetus alive, there were still occasional irregular bleedings. One day, without the knowledge of the doctor, the patient herself sought admission to a private hospital and when the doctor went to the house, she was told by the husband to see the patient in the hospital. She went to the hospital and found that the family had called in another doctor. Naturally she had no objection to having another doctor for consultation if she had been informed. As it was, it made both doctors feel very awkward. However, the lady doctor was quite willing to give up the case except for the fact that the second doctor refused to take it up. In the end, they decided to see the patient together and after examination by the second doctor, agreed on the same diagnosis and line of treatment.

On the second day, at the suggestion of the second doctor, the patient was discharged from the hospital so as to save embarrassment to everybody concerned, including the hospital authorities.

Flat Justina's letter contained many inaccuracies and accusations which must not remain unchallenged. First of all, the diagnosis of the case was told to the patient at the beginning of the treatment and subsequently confirmed by the second doctor. Secondly, when she found that another doctor had been called in, without her knowledge, she did not loudly protest and level a stream of abuse at her patient.

This I can testify, as a medical man, that the behaviour of the lady doctor was nothing but what we would expect from a person belonging to the dignified profession. She was ready to give up the case if the second doctor would take it up; she also agreed to treat the case together with the second doctor if necessary, and I think no doctor could have behaved better under the circumstances. Fourthly, to say that the lady doctor purposely made it a long-drawn-out case, is to make money out of the patient's really absurd. All medical men will agree that in a case of threatened abortion, the bleeding may continue off and on for quite a long time. Flat Justina must have thought that the lady doctor had a wonderful skill to be able to stop the haemorrhages at her will. Lastly, the eternal question of the medical fee about which so many people have written to the press. In this particular case, the charge of \$30 per visit including the injection was quite reasonable. There was no question of "Soak the Shanghai" policy. Doctors are entitled to certain fees and people cannot accuse them of "Soaking the Rich" if they insist on the rich paying the full fee. An ordinary layman does not realise how often a medical man is called upon to do charity work for the poor in his daily practice.

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Henry Longhurst's Page

ALAS, THEY WERE FORGERIES



Poet, late B.B.C. poetry editor, Patrick Dickinson founded the Sunday evening programme "Time for Verse."

An interesting problem of the "what would you do?" variety befell a friend of mine, Patrick Dickinson, whom I met this week for the first time since he was a Cambridge undergraduate struggling for a golf blue twelve years ago.

In the interval he ascended to loftier things. He became a poet. Indeed, he became poetry editor of the B.B.C. He founded the Sunday evening programme "Time for Verse."

Listeners whose brows are reasonably high may recall also his broadcast play "Stone in the Midst," which, rewritten, is soon to be put on by Ashley Dukes at the Mercury Theatre.

Free Of Tax

At any rate, not long ago he received an Atlantic Award of £300 free of tax from the Rockefeller Foundation. One of the conditions of this award is that the recipient is "not expected to engage in regular employment."

So he gave up his job with the B.B.C. and sought a haven in which to acquire that tranquillity of mind which the £300 was designed to provide.

Where would you go? Every man for himself. Some might vanish to the Hebrides; some to that traditional inspiration of poets, the Lake District; others to Cornwall; I personally to the Vale of the White Horse.

Dickinson chose what is unquestionably—and let me trouble to mention Ludlow, Bath, Bradford-on-Avon, Henley and the rest—the loveliest town in England. That is Rye.

Here, hard beside the church which for eight hundred years has crowded the mound on which the little town of Rye stands, peering the eye of the wayfarer miles away across the Romney marsh, Dickinson set about the year's work which was to justify—and, incidentally, supplement—his award.

Tearing Their Hair

His first task, uncomfortably reminiscent of schooldays, was 1,000 lines. This is to be a vale-

dictory poem for W. J. Turner, literary and music critic and poet, who died in 1946. Dickinson found him "lively, original, combative, interested in everything." Knowing him for five years, he reckoned, was the outstanding experience of his life.

Dickinson's wife, who was Turner's assistant in editing the "Britain in Pictures" series, is also a poet and has published books under the name Sheila Shannon. So a record amount of verification, with tearings of hair and searchings for evasive rhyme, goes on in the little house at Rye.

In the intervals of composing his thousand lines Dickinson is writing a biography of the Victorian poet A. H. Clough and editing a series of recordings of English poetry classics.

These are mainly for overseas, but will be available at home. They run for 16 minutes—two double-sided 12-inch records. First choice was Chaucer. Next is Keats. Then Border Ballads, Walter de la Mare, Kipling.

So the champion has revolutionary ideas. He wants a complete change in the game for ordinary mortals.

One of his alternatives is to take two, or even three, reds running, in order to get "on" a colour. Another is to be allowed unlimited colours after the first red.

A third is to play "volunteer" snooker but to allow the second colour to be volunteered without penalty. Any of these changes would improve what for so many enthusiasts is a poor game beside what it might be.

Anyway, it was refreshing to find, concerning snooker, that Davis and I have something in common after all.

We both think it is too difficult for me.

I could not help smiling at the Singular Episode of the BOAC Lancastrian.

Recently I listened to the B.B.C.'s one-sided programme "Focus on Civil Aviation," in which the only mention of the private enterprise companies was a derisory reference to a fictitious chimpanzee being led into one of their planes at Karachi.

Monkey Business

Only a day or two later, high up on the run from Karachi, the captain of one of the State airline's Lancastrian freighters turned in his cockpit to observe ten far-from-fictitious Pheasant monkeys, of a greenish hue, trapezing from the filaments of his aircraft.

One of them "hid behind the instrument panel and peered at him over the airspeed indicator." Several people were bitten before order was restored.

If that is not poetic justice, nothing is!

I was amused, too, by the tale of the United States being flooded with forged British divers and tenners.

I wondered where they would turn up.

In the Far East I met a man who was collecting them, on the chance that they were genuine and that the Bank of England, though temporarily forbidding their import, must eventually honour them.

So far he had accumulated £11,000 worth at a cost of about £800, and a splendid sight they were, too. With the instinctive cupidly of man I bought two fivers and a tenner from him for forty shillings and brought them home. Legally, I may add.

They looked perfect. The branch manager of the bank and he would certainly accept them. We sent them to higher levels, just in case, but alas, never saw them again. They were forgeries.

Still, the Americans can afford it.

Wars, cold and hot, have a habit of bringing into the glare of world limelight places so obscure that even the most intrepid traveller lives his life without ever hearing their names.

The latest is Akaba, where the Lincolns have been entrenching themselves. For months now we shall be seeing maps of the trident-shaped peninsula of Sinai with the Red Sea on one side and the narrow gulf leading up to the port of Akaba on the other.

Deep Waters

From the top of the gulf the boundaries of four countries radiate like the spokes of a wheel. Akaba is in the Transjordan slice and has water deep enough for ships of 3,000 tons. The Palestine shore now captured by the Jews enjoys no such advantage.

People with husbands, brothers, or sons posted to the British forces defending Akaba, and indeed all with normal curiosity in current events, will be wondering what the place is like.

The answer is: nothing like as big as it looks on the map. Akaba is only a fishing village with a couple of thousand inhabitants. Pleasant enough at this time of year and foul in summer, it is noted for the best fishing in the world and men with missing fingers.

The last two are connected, for the main local industry is fish-bombing.

Explosives fill me with fright, but the Arab takes a childish delight in them, though it is unlikely said that, whereas he used to ride his donkey with his wife walking behind him, he now makes her walk in front—in case of landmines.

In Akaba the master-bomber lights the fuse of his home-made bomb, casually watches it burn while half an inch of the explosive, and tosses it into the water. His two assistants then dive in and haul out the 15-pounders in their arms.

My authority for the above is an arch-expert on this part of the world, Major G. S. Jarvis, who was for fourteen years Governor of Sinai.



"Let no one trouble to mention Ludlow, Bath, Bradford-on-Avon and the rest. This is the loveliest town in England—Rye."

He thinks his favourite Arab fisherman, one Radwan, is still operating at Akaba and, if so, British troops will be enjoying both his services and his reminiscences, which show the fisherman's regard for the truth to be the same the world over.

A Fish End

A vast shark sometimes infests Akaba, its fin a yard high from the water. One day it circled around the little boat in which Jarvis and Radwan were fishing. Jarvis, sizing up the boat and noting it to be a different one from usual, asked what had happened to the previous owner. The Arab pointed to the circling fin.

"He had him," he said. The same shark caught one of the crew of a steamer from Jeddah and chewed the poor man in half. The captain thereupon bailed a hook with the other half!

In 20 years in various deserts Jarvis and his wife created no fewer than five gardens. Veterans of the Western Desert campaigns may not believe it, but he even grew four acres of vegetables at Mersah Matrui.

Wherever life took him he set about creating a little patch of England. He imported geese, ducks, turkeys and chickens, and made the desert blossom with roses, stocks, tobacco plants, phlox and sweet williams. He grew phenomenal asparagus and every

English vegetable except runner beans. These defied him in the desert for 20 years.

Another Man's Life

I am fascinated by books which enable one to live another man's life. Jarvis's books like "Three Deserts," "Half a Life," "Oriental Spotlight" and the "Back Garden of Allah," do this in a genial, ironical way, with a most attractive lack of pretence.

Now he has retired to the dream dreamed by generations of Englishmen in exile—a little shooting, a little fishing and yet another garden, this time in the New Forest.

From there he writes the Countryman's Notes in Country Life, which bring him correspondence from all over the world. A happy man, I should say, from all the pleasure he has given to other people.

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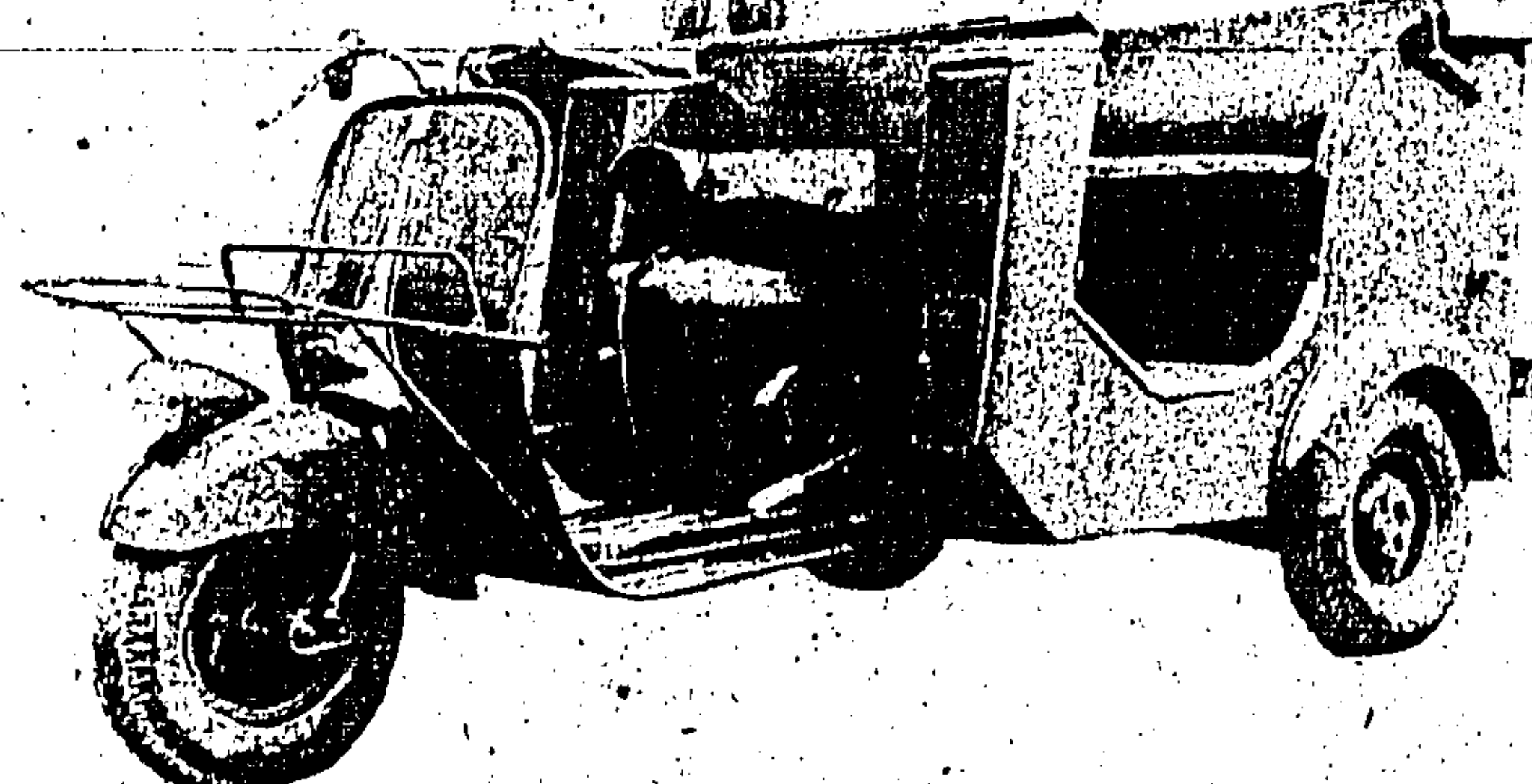


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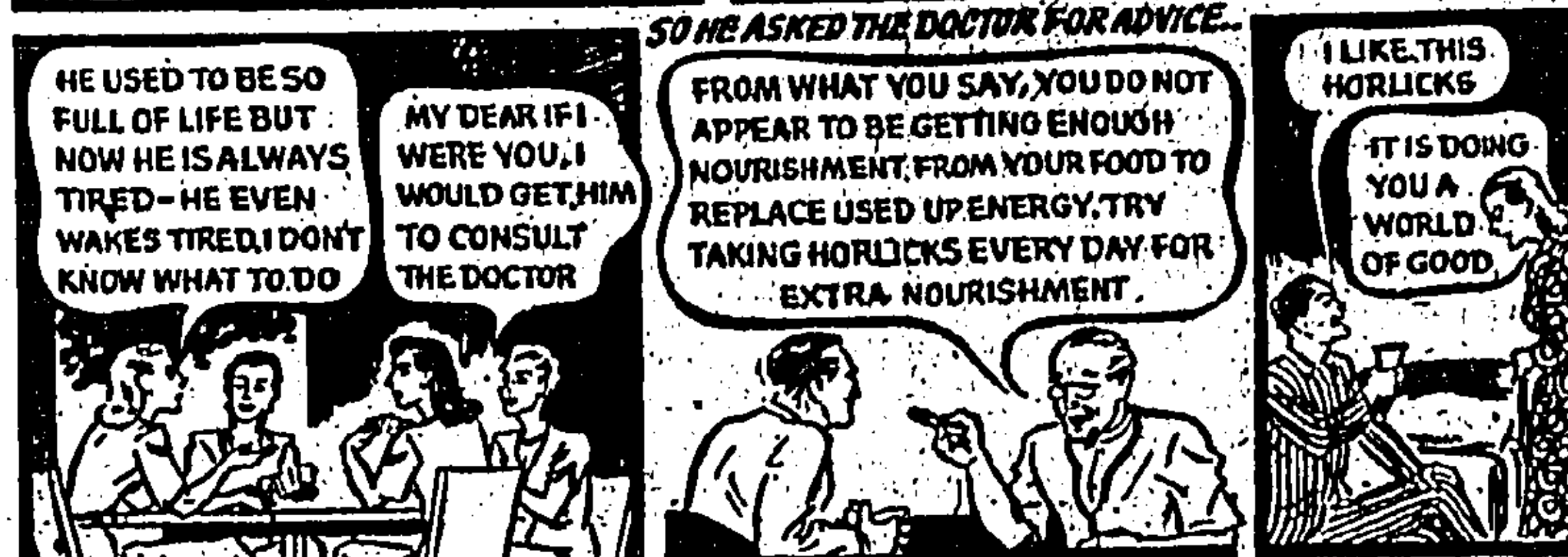
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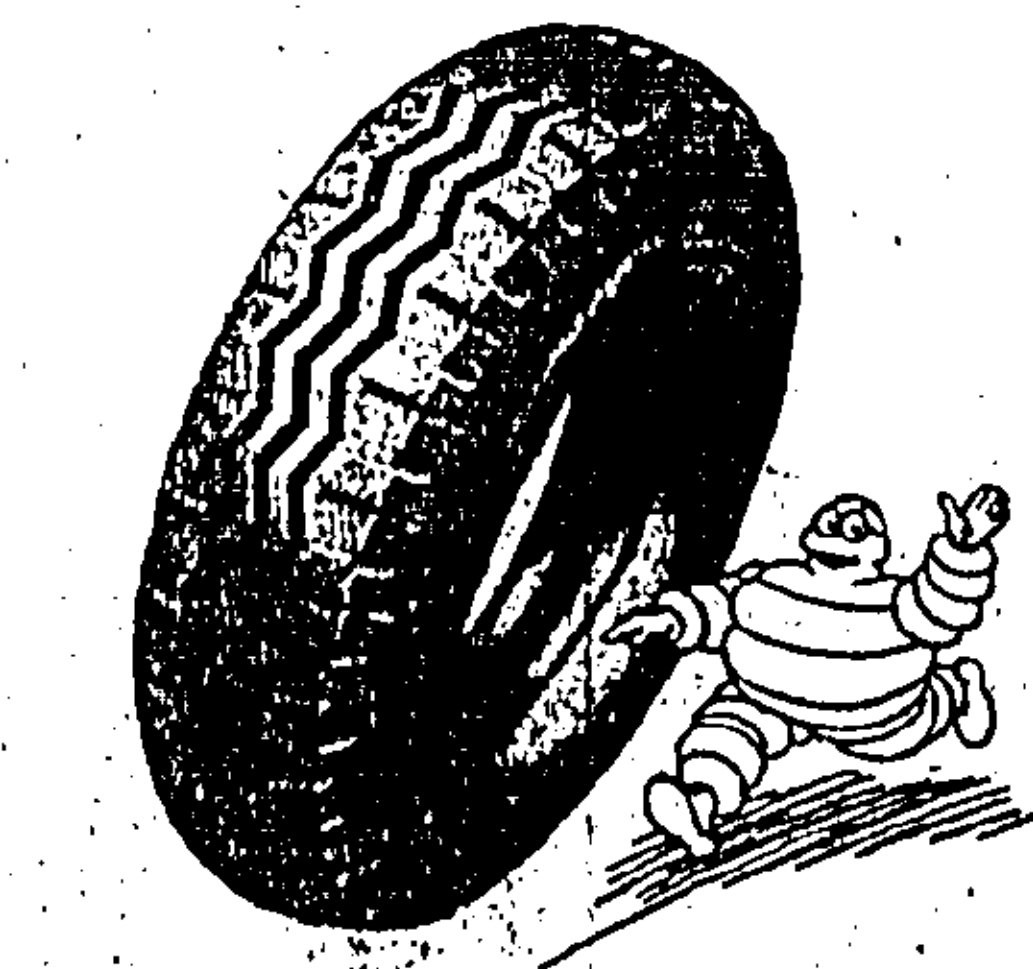
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Yoshida Rejects Coalition

Tokyo, February 4. Japan's Democratic Liberal Prime Minister, Shigeru Yoshida, refused today to see the Democrat Leader, Ken Inukai, thus excluding the possibility of a new coalition cabinet of the two parties.

When Mr. Inukai called at his home by appointment, the Premier's secretary told him Mr. Yoshida was "too busy" to see him.—Reuter.

Netherlands And The Pact

The Hague, February 4. Dr. D. U. Slikker, the Dutch Foreign Minister, replying to a debate on the 1949 Foreign Ministry budget in the Second Chamber today, said he hoped that many countries would join the Atlantic Pact, "then early results can be expected."

Referring to Israel, he said that the Netherlands Government believed that the results of the Palestine truce negotiations should be awaited before deciding on "de jure" recognition for the Jewish State.—Reuter.

British Protest To Hungary

London, February 4. Britain today protested to Hungary against the exclusion of British observers from the trial of Cardinal Mindszenty reserving the right to act under the Hungarian peace treaty which bound that country to assure religious freedom.

The Foreign Office announced that Alexander Helm, British Minister in Budapest, handed the protest to the Hungarian Foreign Office. While it did not protest against the arrest of Cardinal Mindszenty, the note said the arrest has aroused "strong feelings" in Britain.—United Press.

New Delhi, February 4. The Government today announced that it had cancelled its plan to exchange students with Russia.—United Press.

Berlin, February 5. The prettiest heckler of the Russians in Berlin is on the wanted list of their political police.

Twice a week, storm or shine, she makes jokes at Russian expense. Most of Berlin chuckles.

As long as she stays on the Allied side of the boundary dividing the city, blonde Christina Olsen hopes she will be safe.

But regardless of dangers the future may bring, she is now the most popular entertainer on Rias, an American-sponsored radio station here.

Christina calls herself, in Berlin slang, a "newsbabe." Pretending to be selling newspapers on the street, she cries out the headlines, with a sizzling comment.

It's a rare week that word or action by German Communists and their Russian bosses doesn't make her script-writing easy.

Congress Clash With Hoffman

Washington, February 4. The chairman of the Maritime Commission, Mr. W. W. Smith, has offered to see that American shippers get a fair share of the United States' foreign aid business in an effort to settle the squabble between Congress and the foreign aid boss, Mr. Paul Hoffman.

Congress objected when Mr. Hoffman announced that more ECA cargo would be carried in foreign ships because their rates were cheaper.

Mr. Smith said he would want authority to waive the requirement if it were impractical to use American ships or if their use would not be "in the best interests of the country."

The chairman of the House Merchant Marine Committee said members would consider Mr. Smith's offer next week.—United Press.

Another Treason Trial

Washington, February 4. Herbert John Burman, 52-year-old former State Department employee, was flown into Washington from Germany today to face treason charges.

Like Mildred "Axis Sally" Gilliam, Burman is accused of having made treasonable broadcasts for the Nazis during the war. He was on the staff of the United States Embassy in Berlin from 1921 to 1941, as clerk and statistician.

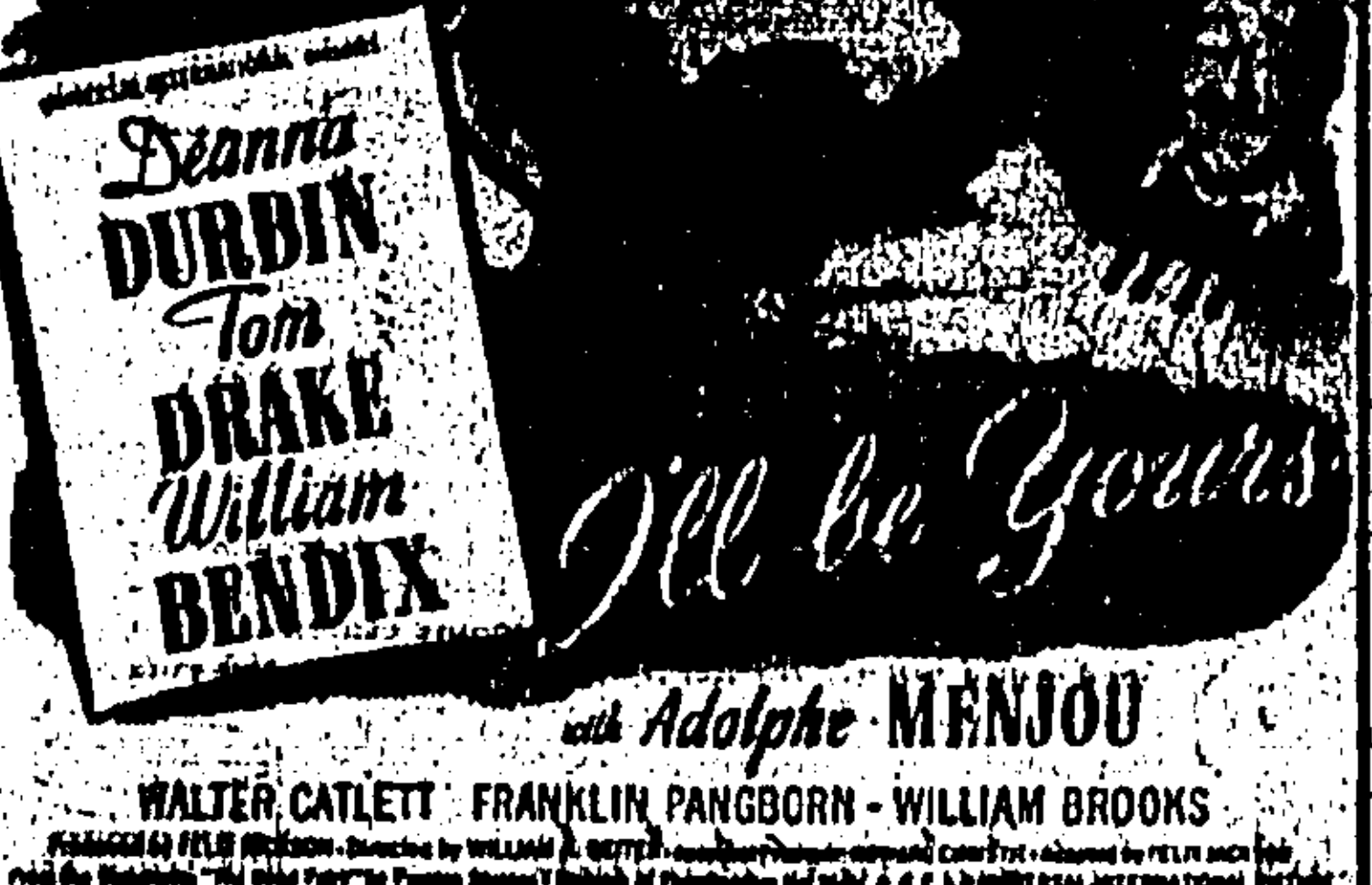
The Government charges that he wrote many of his Nazi propaganda broadcasts himself, using the alias "Joe Scanlon"—United Press.

Washington, February 3. Mr. Eliezer Kaplan, Israeli Finance Minister, who is due to arrive in the United States today, is expected to make arrangements for the purchase of \$100,000,000 worth of goods in America in 1949 with United States Export Import Bank credits.—Reuter.

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GBS Gives Student A Tip

Oxford, February 4. Colin Prestige of Oriel College, Oxford, who accepted Dr. Edith Summerville's challenge that he could not tell the difference between margarine and butter when blind-folded, has received a postcard from Mr. Bernard Shaw. It said: "Probably you will not be able to distinguish which is which. I cannot. Dr. Edith Summerville may conclude that margarine is so good that you cannot tell it from butter."

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London, February 4. Hans Sebastian Heitz, a Swiss-born naturalised Briton, of Morden, Surrey, fired a revolver at his brother, Frederick John Heitz, wounding him in the stomach and then shot himself dead after a quarrel over a game of cards. It was stated at an inquest today.

The jury's verdict was that Hans died from a self-inflicted gun-shot wound when his mind was disturbed.

Frederick, who is 28 years of age, is in hospital in a serious condition.—Reuter.

Moscow, February 4. Mrs. Pandit, Indian Ambassador to the Soviet Union, arrived in Moscow by air this evening.—Reuter.

Vienna Flu Epidemic

Vienna, February 4. There are now 32,000 influenza cases in Vienna a record — and the epidemic is sweeping through Austria's province of Styria.

Saying this, the "Wiener Kurier" says there are over-illed hospitals at Graz, the Styrian provincial capital, where emergency beds have had to be put up in corridors and more than 2,000 cases have been reported in the province in the past three days.

In the Tyrol, cases are being reported at the rate of 150 a day. The influenza wave which swept the Continent claimed about one person in every five in France, the World Health Organisation reported a fortnight ago. It was generally of a mild type.—Reuter.

Hutton In Grent Form

Salisbury, Rhodessa, February 4. Rahn caused an early closure today with the MCC first innings score at 123 for three wickets on the first day of the return match with Rhodessa.

Only 15 minutes of the two hours' play was possible after lunch. Len Hutton batted in fine style for 67 not out. Most of his runs came from powerful, well-timed cover and straight drives. He completed 50 in 73 minutes.

After Washbrook and Crapp had been dismissed for 31 runs in half an hour, Hutton and Compton added 70 runs in a third wicket stand.—Reuter.

KOREAN REPUBLIC RECOGNISED

Paris, February 4. The French Government today announced that, having considered the United Nations General Assembly resolution of December 12, the French Government has decided to establish diplomatic relations with the Republic of Korea.

M. Henri Costiches, at present French Consul at Seoul, has been appointed Charge d'Affaires.—Reuter.

POOL IN SCHOOL

New York, February 4. The City Board of Education has purchased 135 pool tables for installation in school playrooms.

The announcement of the purchase said it was hoped the pool tables would keep boys away from the smoke-filled pool halls that have long been a source of juvenile delinquency.—United Press.

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10.30 a.m.—Programme Summary.
10.31 a.m.—Relay of the Celebration of the 10th Anniversary of the Chinese Revolution, 1911-1921.

11.15 a.m.—Eye-Witness Account of Judging at the Hong Kong Kennel Club Annual Show, from the Race Course, Happy Valley.

11.20 a.m.—The London Radio Orchestra conducted by Denis Wright. (BBC)

11.45 a.m.—Organ Recital by G.D. Cunningham.

12.00 p.m.—"Music for Romance" Row Leopold and His Players with Jack Cooper as soloist. (BBC)

12.30 p.m.—Sports: Results and Daily Programme Summary.

12.40 p.m.—Eye-Witness Account of Judging at the Hong Kong Kennel Club Annual Show, from the Race Course at Happy Valley.

12.45 p.m.—Songs by Grace Moore (Soprano) and Richard Crooks (Tenor).

1.00 p.m.—Lenny Goodman and His Orchestra.

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25 p.m.—A Popular Concert.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

5.58 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.00 p.m.—Weekly News-Letter. (London Relay)

6.15 p.m.—Light Variety of Popular Artists.

6.45 p.m.—"Pan America."

7.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

7.15 p.m.—"Looking Ahead" A Review of the Week's Programmes. (Studio)

7.30 p.m.—"Come into the Parlour" Music: Songs from Northern Ireland. (BBC)

8.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials." (London Relay)

8.10 p.m.—Interlude.

8.15 p.m.—"Talk It from Here." (London Relay)

8.45 p.m.—"Emma" A Novel by Jane Austen adapted for Broadcasting. (BBC)

9.15 p.m.—Symphony Concert. Berlin, Carnival Roman—Overture... The HHO Symphony Orchestra. Mozart: Concerto in F Flat Major, K. 441. (London Relay)

10.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay)

10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.

10.16 p.m.—Symphony Concert. (Cont'd)

10.45 p.m.—Concerto in B Minor, Op. 44. (London Relay)

11.00 p.m.—"Emma" A Novel by Jane Austen adapted for Broadcasting. (BBC)

11.10 p.m.—Epicurean conducted by the Rev. Father M.G.P. Corbally, S.J. (Studio)

11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

Dutch Policy On Indonesia

The Hague, February 4. Dr. Dirk U. Slikker, the Dutch Foreign Minister, replying to a debate on the 1949 Foreign Ministry budget in the Second Chamber today, said: "No one should be left uncertain to ensure the victory of the Netherlands point of view on the Indonesian question."

"It would be wrong for us to retire from the United Nations now," he declared. The Netherlands was part of the Western community and it was her task to co-operate with other countries "to protect our Christian culture against the very serious attacks made on it"—Reuter.

MORE SUNSPOTS

London, February 4. Sunspots were visible on the sun today from London.

A Greenwich Observatory spokesman said: "A spot is approximately 2,500,000 square miles in size."

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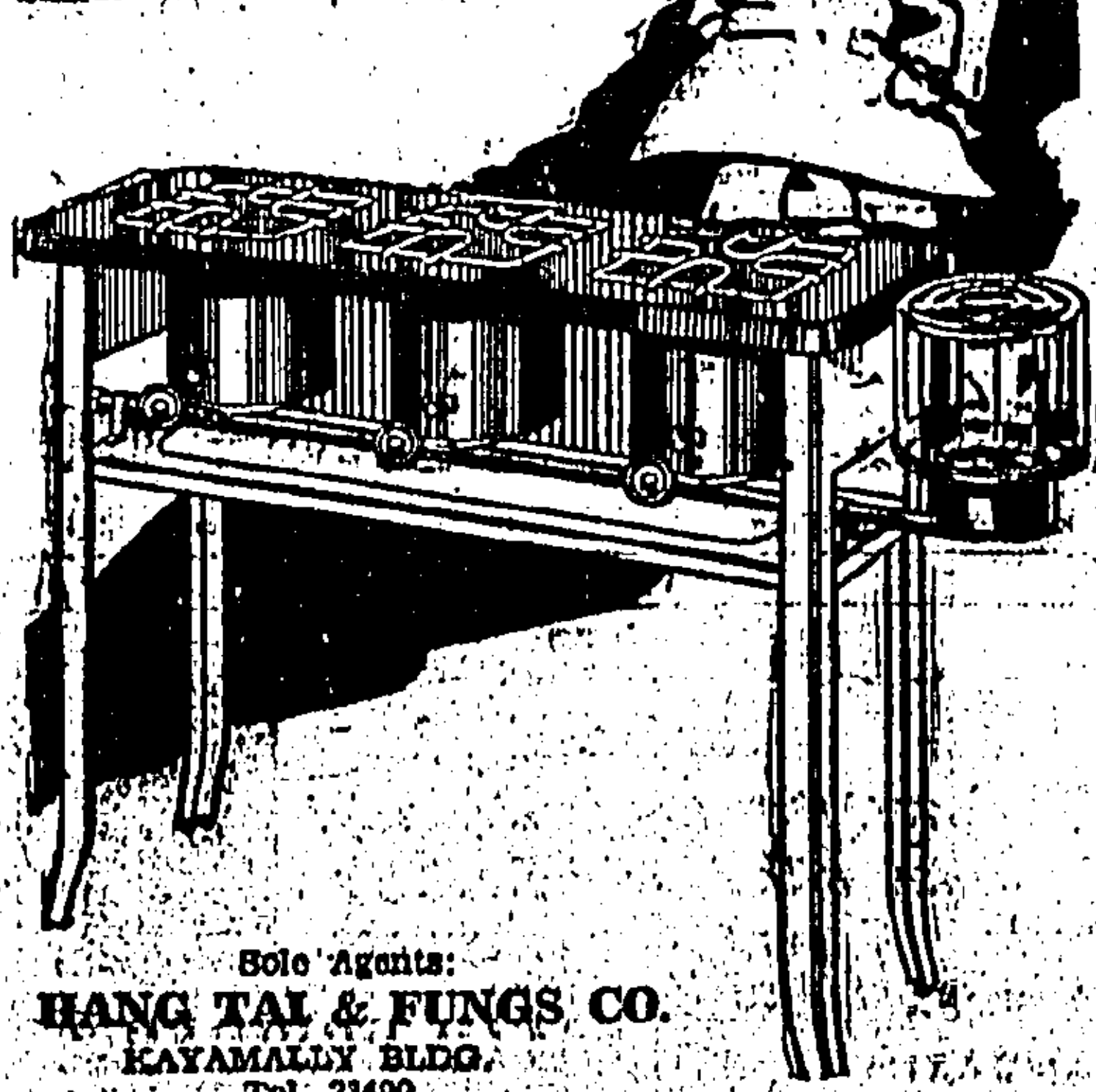
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It occurs to me that every time I'm dangerously ill people always think I'm joking. "Oh," they say, "you'll be all right."

I imagine this to be my own fault. It comes from being too brave.

In the past couple of weeks, for instance, I've been carrying on practically single-handed. Every one else tottering off with flu.

You know the process. They come in about half an hour late. Paint greening, and apology. But no reason given. Words are too precious to waste. Then the lumping down at the desk. Sighless staring at the blotter. Then the head goes into the hands.

Morning tea appears to revive them a little. Suddenly they show an unfamiliar eagerness to perform a number of small, useless tasks. They hurry round for several minutes, showing immense courage, in spite of pallor, mental confusion, and a stiffness of the joints. All at once—the collapse!

"Terribly sorry," must be a touch of flu. I think I ought to say.

A taxi has to be sent for, and that's the last you see of them for three weeks.

Up to last Thursday I regarded this performance with what tolerance I could muster. After all, some people aren't so strong as others. Don't seem to have the same conscience about the job.

Then, on Thursday morning, I woke up with something terrible.

The legs rigid, dogs barking in the ears. Eyeballs red-hot and straining in their sockets like orange pips caught in a pair of pliers.

Dragged myself down to the factory, of course, notwithstanding. For the purpose of illustrating, you can say we make small, valuable statuettes of gnomes for export.

Took my place at my machine, and stamped off about a gross, keeping going only by gritting the teeth. Then staggered back, almost out on my feet.

The foreman appeared. He's only just back from a protracted period of convalescence.

"What's the matter, soldier?" "Flu, sir, I think."

"Sorry to hear that. You'll be all right. Look, we've a rush order here for six dozen of the flame-alabaster Japanese garden model. Get them out before luncheon, like a good chap."

How queer. I've been prescribing aspirin, warmth, and rest for all the other gnomes, including the foreman, ever since Christmas, and now that I've got something much worse myself, he seems to mind.

Too brave, I think what it is. The upper lip too stiff. It's a kind of shouting of "Wait! Wait!" in reverse. I've been giving the impression of the Iron Man for so long that it I came up with only one armpit they'd merely give me a quarter less to do.

If only there was some way of letting them know how I feel. Not just by word of mouth. Some way of conveying it to them physically.

Wait a minute. I think I'm inventing something. I shouldn't really be working at all. But I think it's coming clear.

Something electric. Lie-detectors pick up waves from the brain. A box with wires.

I've got it! I come into the club. They're all sitting round. Boofy, red-faced, hollid. Loud shouts of welcome, to which I reply in a low, polite voice. They take it up.

"What's the matter with you, Mickey?" "Got out on the wrong side of the bed?"

"Cheer up—you'll soon be dead!" "Excuse me, I'm nearly dead. Influenza. They require me to snuff out of it. They say I'll be all right."

I produce my symptomometer—my box with wires.

"Would any of you like to know how I feel?" They shove forward old George. "Here's the guinea-pig."

I connect George and myself to the box. Bands round our foreheads, throats, arms, legs. I'm going to let George have all my symptoms at once.

"Right! Connect up. I throw the switch."

An amazing change comes over him. The blood drains from his face. A great weight seems to press down upon him. He ages 20 years before our eyes.

"I feel awful," says George. "Back! My throat's covered with lumps. Cold, perspiration. Turn it off. For pity's sake—turn it off!"

I put the switch into neutral, and disconnect him.

"I believe you," says George. "You're dying. Here, chap, lend a hand."

They wrap me in rugs, get the ambulance, and hasten home.

That, crudely, is how the symptomometer works. And although I really shouldn't be thinking at all, I can see now that, properly handled, it can bring about an extraordinary revolution in the social life of our time.

Most of our miseries come about through the failure of human beings to communicate one with another. No successful attempts, however carefully chosen, can convey our true meaning.

This is bad enough when we're dealing merely with the fairly frivolous field of abstract thought, but when it comes to something serious, like one person saying to another, "I have a headache," and the other person saying, "I don't believe it," then we're really up against it.

The symptomometer will change all this.

He comes home. She says the bridge. He says not. They're not, he has a burning pain in his ear, probably mastoid.

They connect up the symptomometer. Its use is, of course, compulsory—and she finds that not only has he not got a burning pain in the ear, but he can hear through his rather better than she can through hers.

Encouraged by this, she says that he can cook the dinner. She is feeling slightly sick. A quick check reveals that she has an appetite like an horse, while he is still being "lobbed" around by a couple of lunch-time saucers.

Warm, mutual sympathy, they feel about the preparations for the evening, is an amazing success. Quite a laugh is talked at the end when Mr. Trevelyan revokes and Mrs. Trevelyan accuses him of being tipsy. They connect up the symptomometer, and it throws Mrs. Trevelyan flat on her back.

There is a further use for the machine, but I haven't had time yet to envisage its full possibilities. Roughly, it's a one-way switch. Aliments, by this means, can be handed over from one person to another for good.

Say I get fed up with my slugs, I just have to find someone who's sick of his low blood pressure, and we do a swap.

Low blood pressure, after sinusitis, might seem to me to be a pleasure, I'd probably feel on top of the world. And then, of course, if I ever got tired of it, I could probably trade it for something entirely opposite, like a wart.

Look, I'm getting rather excited about this. We might even be able to fix the machine so that you don't have to get anything back in exchange.

What we could do would be to unload all our diseases on to the people who enjoy being ill—the ones that are only happy with four pillows and a batch of croquet. That would leave the rest of us free to go about our business with never a twinge to cloud the sunshine of the day.

I think I'll be down now. I feel curiously tired.

**WHAT THE CHINESE PRESS
IS SAYING**

Wah Kiu Yat Po: The desire for peace and stability in China is nationwide. Although the present move by the Nanking Government is a direct result of a military defeat, it is partly due to pressure of public opinion.

General Li Tsung-jen has left no stone unturned in his efforts to realise peace, but reaction from the Communists varies from time to time. The main obstacle at present is the Communist demand for the detention of "war criminals."

Undoubtedly, the people feel bitter against respect of war criminals. Nevertheless, it is only fair to let the people decide for themselves who are and who are not war criminals.

The names of the war criminals listed by the Communists do not represent public opinion, as the people have not been consulted. The list represents only the opinion of the Communists.

As the Kuomintang has a notorious reputation because of corruption and inefficiency, the list prepared by the Communists may be justified. But, to submit such a list without consulting the people is most unfair. The preparation of the list appears to be a whim of the Communists rather than the wishes of the people.

In principle, the whole nation supports punishment of war criminals. Nevertheless, in our opinion, the decision as to who is a war criminal rests with the people. Those who are to be tried should include leaders of the opposite camp such as Mao Tse-tung, Li Li-san, etc., as well as the Communist leaders.

If the Communists are confident of popular support, they will not oppose this suggestion. In the opinion of the people, those who hinder the early realisation of peace are the real war criminals.

It is wise to win the support of the people, and it is inadvisable for the Communists to risk their prestige by allowing the opportunity of rebelling peace slip away.

Railway Robberies

Sing Tao Jih Pao: It is a shocking state of affairs when trains on the Kowloon-Canton railway are robbed twice within

three months. After the first hold-up, proposals were made for giving the railway better protection. How far these proposals have been carried out we do not know, but we do ask the railway administration whether it has lived up to its responsibilities.

Both robberies occurred in the same vicinity. Why have not any precautions been taken in view of the previous robbery? The authorities concerned should deal with the situation more effectively.

Stalin Offer

Hong Kong Star: The Moscow broadcast that Stalin is willing to meet President Truman is good news. This move on Stalin's part is very important in view of the present situation in Europe and the relations between the United States and Russia.

This move will induce people to believe that Russia is not thinking about war but desires peace and co-operation.

At the end of the last war, there remained only two great powers, the United States and Soviet Russia. Both do not want war, therefore, there should be no danger of a third world war. If the two nations go to war, the whole world will be devoid of peace and the human race will be exterminated.

Only fanatics and inhuman elements—derelicts of fascism—hope for war between the United States and Soviet Russia.

If the United States and the Soviet can co-operate peacefully, the whole world will benefit. Stalin has hung up his peace signboard on Truman's door. Let's see how Truman reacts.

Cold War

New Life Evening News: As a result of Mr. Acheson's statement at a Press conference in Washington reflecting Stalin's peace proposals, the cold war in Europe will probably continue for the next few months.

The Berlin question will also remain unsolved. To the people of the world who pray for international peace and co-operation, Mr. Acheson's statement is a great disappointment.

Only two months ago, President Truman declared that he will exert all efforts to end the

cold war and to achieve peace. Why has America's attitude changed to such great extent?

In fact, there has been no change in her attitude. When President Truman said those words two months ago, America was in the midst of the general elections. Today President Truman, re-elected, throws his

hind him, his previous peace statements.

America's attitude now appears to be to reinforce her forces in Europe to continue the cold war against Russia. One phase in American-Soviet peace talks has ended. Despite this, the people of the world will persist in their demands for peace.

Hut Fires

Hong Kong Star: Several fires have occurred during the past few months. Among these were fires involving wooden shacks of the poor. A number of lives were lost and much damage caused in addition to rendering a considerable number of people homeless.

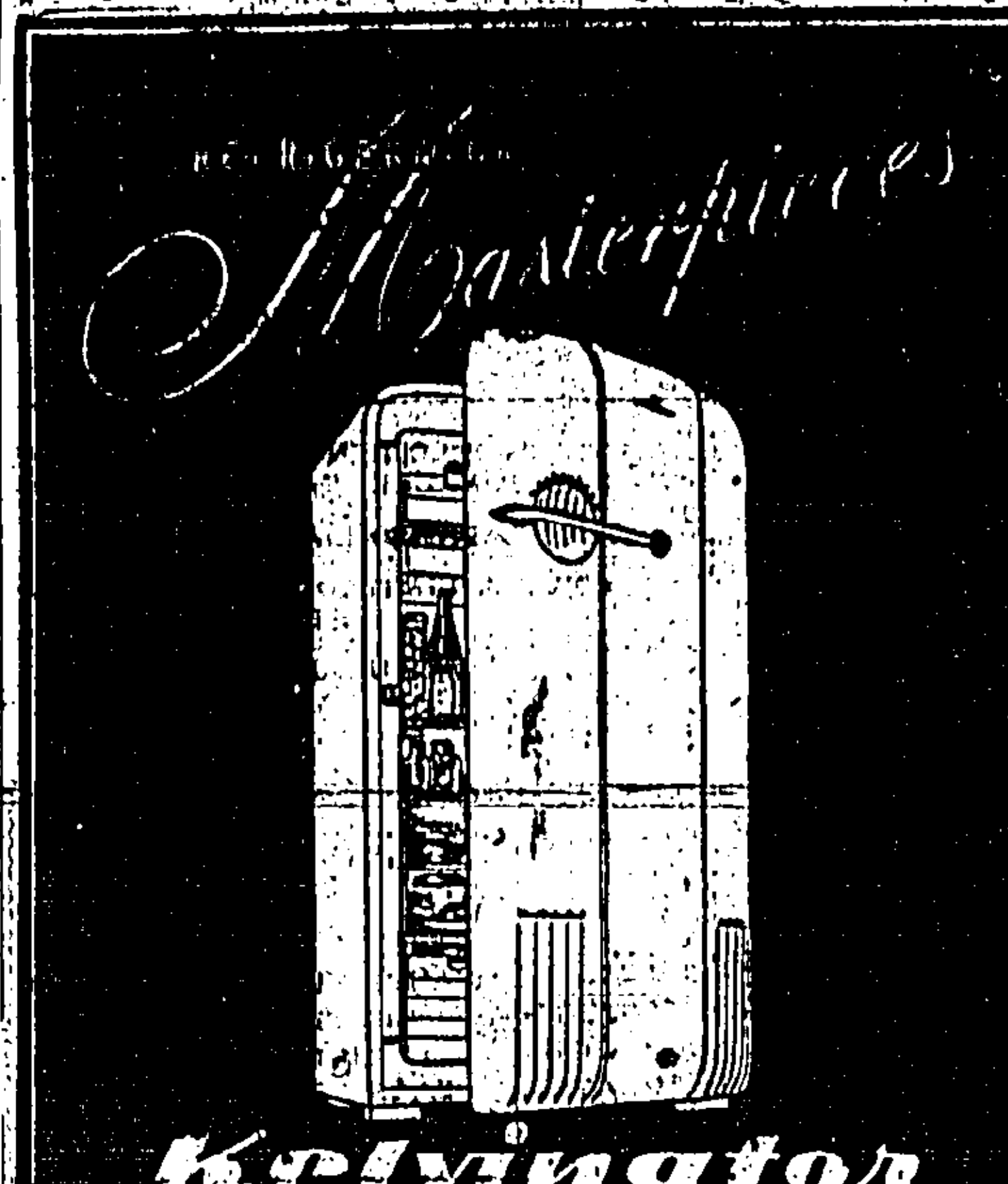
Wooden shacks are inflammable. To avoid such disastrous fires, the only method is to prohibit erection of wooden shacks. Wooden shacks, however, are the only shelter the poor can afford. They do not like to live in such places, but they have no alternative.

It has already been reported that the majority of the people in wooden shacks are usually employed in Hong Kong. As such, they have a right to live in the Colony. But they should not be living in wooden huts.

For the past few days, the authorities have begun to erect certain areas of wooden shacks. It is a good move as the huts are hazardous and unhealthy. The point is, however, where are the occupants of the huts to go to?

There are a number of welfare organizations in Hong Kong. They should take up this problem and try to solve it. They should follow the example of Macao.

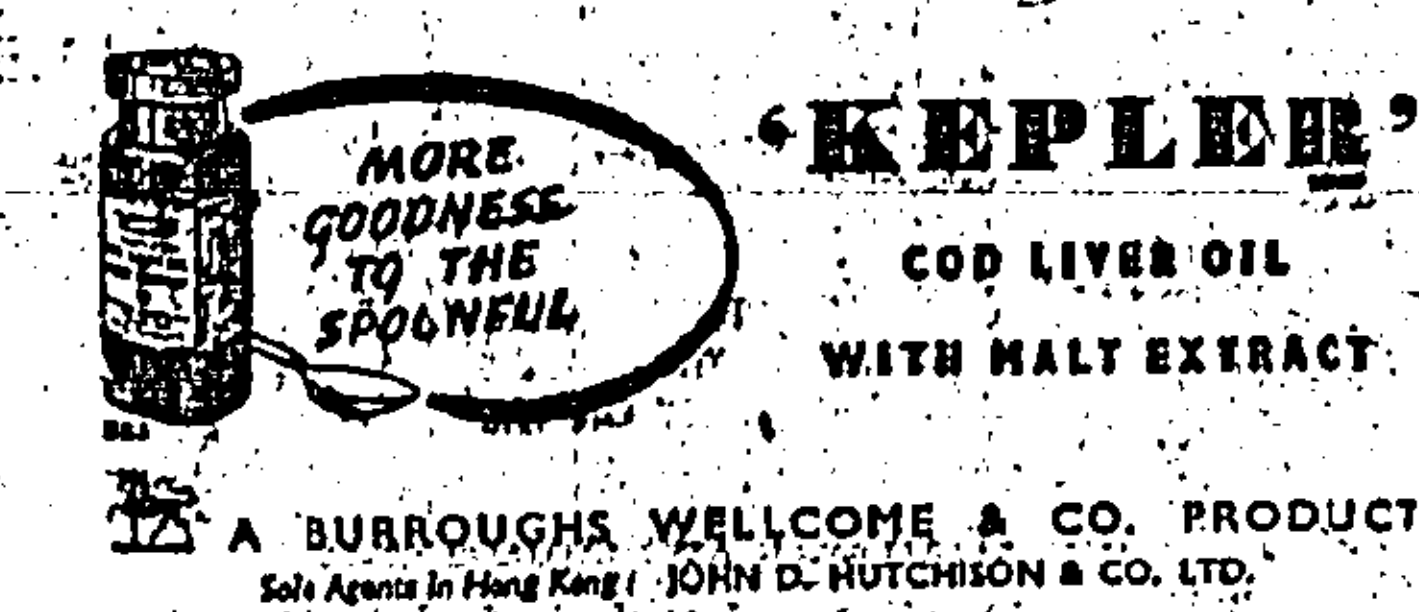
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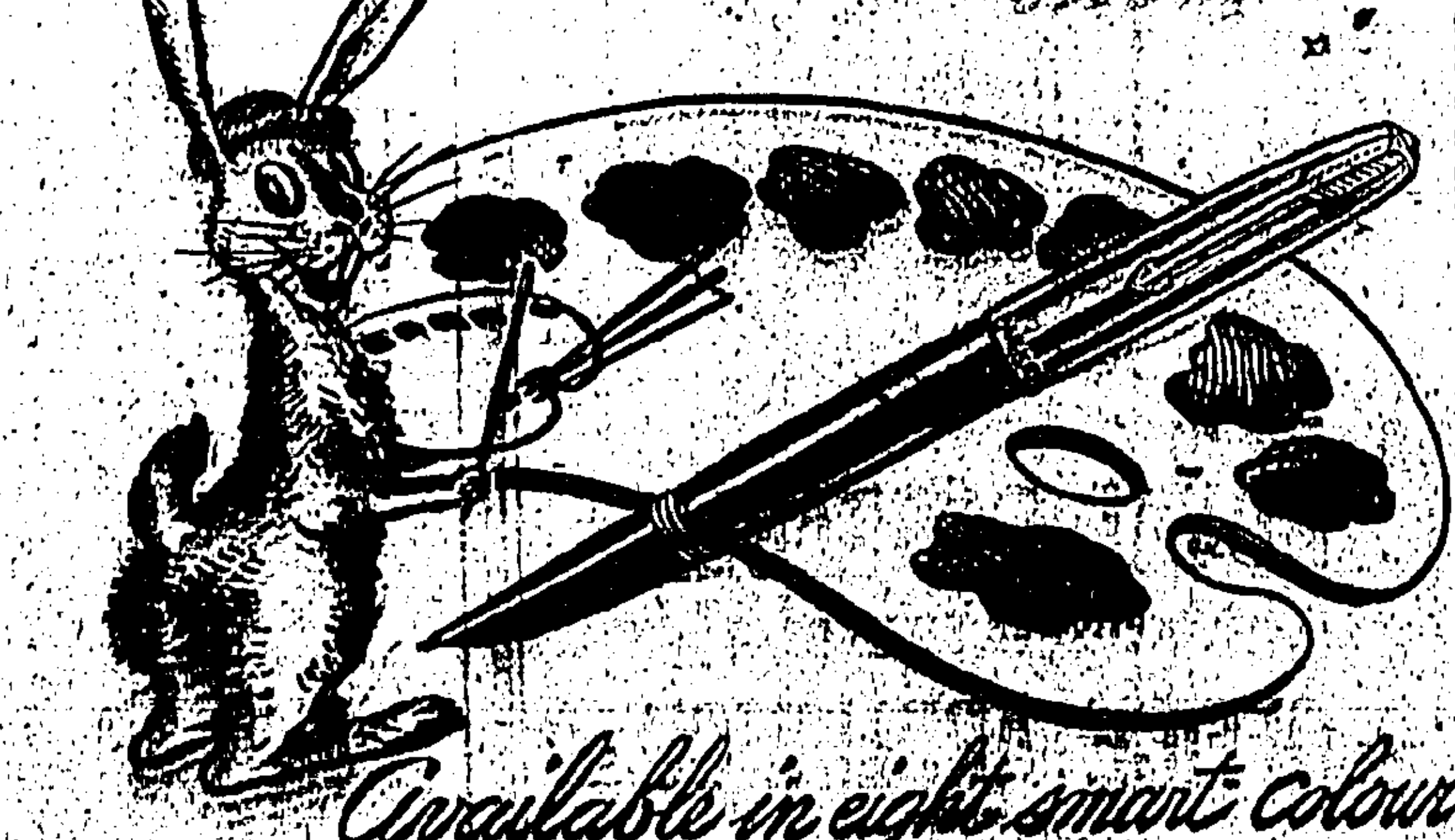
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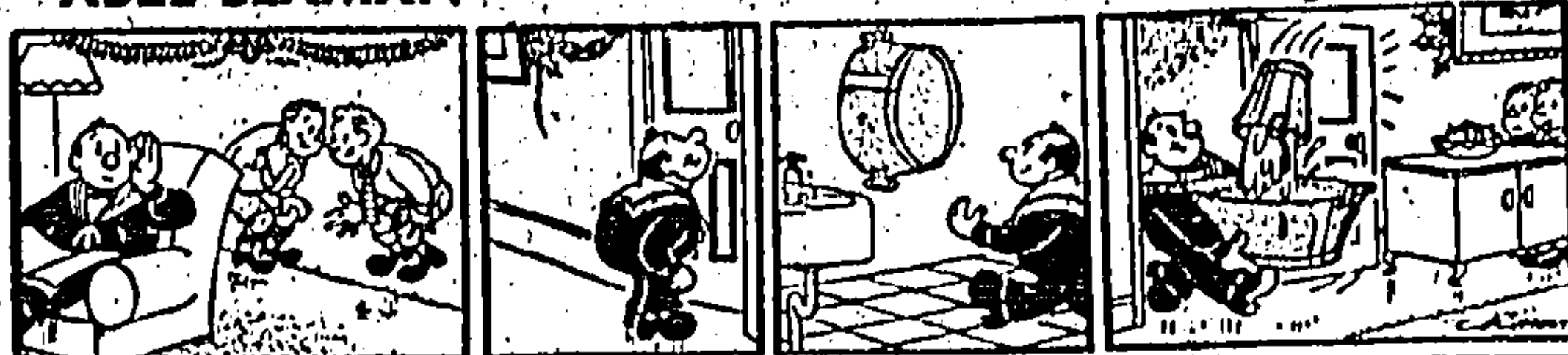
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By HOLT

THREE MEN HOLD KEY
TO CHINA'S DESTINY

China's future Communist mas-
ters are literally cave-men—they
have lived in cliff-side holes tucked
away in ravines in the arid north-
west fringes of the Central Asiatic
deserts since 1945, when they
marched 6,000 miles through hos-
tile country to get there.

Tempered by years of war ad-
versity, they are men as hard as
the country they are leaving for the
fertile southern plains, where
most of them were born.

They have a burning selfless
faith in their mission, allied with
immense native shrewdness and
ignorance of the outside world.

They are self-confident to the
point of arrogance, and pitiless
with all who disagree with them.

They are Marxists to their
finger-tips, and even though they
are willing to adapt the Marxist
dogmas to their needs, there is
among them that same atmosphere
of mystic exaltation above the
common man that was so apparent
in Hitler and his associates, and
which Stalin at present shares.



MAO TZE-TUNG

present massive strength, to the
admiration of all Chinese Com-
munists, who revere him.

Ex-Bandit

General Chu Teh had an al-
together different upbringing. He
was trained as a soldier, became
an officer, a dissolute gambler and
an opium smoker. His first war
renown in the warlords' quarrel,
and became celebrated and rich.

In 1922, he underwent a change
of heart, gave up a semi-bandit
career, cured himself of the opium
habit and went to Germany to
study, where he joined the Com-
munists.

He was expelled in 1925 and
went to Russia, where he stayed
for a few months and then return-
ed to China, joining Chiang Kai-
shek's forces and becoming Direc-
tor of the Military Academy.

When Chiang went anti-Com-
munist Chu led his cadets to
unite with the Red units. They
received a crushing defeat from
Chiang's forces, after which Chu
took 1,600 survivors into the hills,
found Mao Tze-tung, and the pair
raised the Red Flag together.

Since then, Chu has held
supreme military control of the
Chinese Communists, though other
leaders have considerable local
freedom.

The Brains

The most internationally-minded
Chinese Communist is Chou En-
lai, who during the war years was
the liaison officer at Chungking.
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brains behind their present con-
ciliatory policy towards foreign
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Truman Begins His
'Fair Deal'

Along with a million other
people I was in Washington to
witness the inauguration of Pres-
ident Harry S. Truman.

And along with countless mil-
lions more my heart warmed
willy-nilly in affection and ad-
miration for this unpretentious
yet remarkable little man, who is
probably the best loved leader
ever to be entrusted with the gov-
ernment of this great nation,
Franklin Roosevelt not excepted.

His Good Luck

There seems to be something
about his good luck which makes
one feel it to be thoroughly well-
deserved and which communicates
itself to all around him. Even on
his inauguration day he managed
to score another victory over the
prophecy.

his closeness to the people Mr.
Truman seems better able to
gauge the instincts of the elec-
torate than a dollar millionaire
like Roosevelt.

No Intrigues

Roosevelt continually under-
estimated the imagination, cour-
age, and generosity of the Amer-
ican people, and in doing so often
delayed unjustly before asking for
support for policies which he knew
should be put into effect at once.

I firmly believe that Europe
would not have benefited so soon
as it did from the New Deal.

During that time the President
has come fully to understand the

Much of the credit for this very
belated development must go to
our Ambassador here, Sir Oliver
Franklin, who most skillfully man-
oeuvred his obstinate matter away
from the further disastrous course
which he was without doubt con-
templating.

Meanwhile it was to be noted
at the inaugural parade that the
Israel flag was accorded particu-
lar prominence near the Stars
and Stripes, while the flags of
other nations were left to purely
alphabetical arrangement.

Mr. Bevin must be carefully
watched lest he try once more to
play old Harry with Mr. Truman's
undoubtedly strong desire to pre-
serve Anglo-American harmony in
all parts of the world.

In his message to Congress and
in his first inaugural speech Mr.
Truman has outlined policies
which, by the large, are sensible
and far-sighted. He rededicated
America to the magnanimous but
arduous duties which she has
assumed in the interest of the
whole world.

There is no disagreement in
America about the main objective
to be pursued only a healthy con-
troversy about the best means to
be employed.

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a new lease of life to capitalism
and democracy by broadening and
strengthening its economic base. It is progressive
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best American tradition. With it
goes a determination to share the
benefits of American prosperity
and military power with all peace-
ful nations.

That Mr. Truman was popular
was known even when he was
thought to see him back in the
White House this month, though
few people could have forecast
after the November elections that
his inaugural parade would be
the happiest and most triumphant
since Andrew Jackson's.

But what was not sufficiently
appreciated was that, to borrow
the words once used by Mr.
Chewchill about a much less solid
American figure, "he has the root
of the matter in him."

Indeed, the world stands as
much in need of Mr. Truman's
common sense as of his good luck.

Behind The Political Scene
By ALISTAIR FORBES

This time it was the weather
experts who took a beating, and
the rain and cold which they had
predicted obligingly held off for
24 hours, leaving the sun to shine
on Harry from a perfect blue sky,
an omen which must surely
presage a much-needed good luck
for America and the free world in
the coming four years.

The blunders and contradictions
which marked the early period
of Mr. Truman's office and caused
some anxiety in European minds
should not blind us to his formid-
able and enduring virtues and
achievements.

He has been referred to, often
accurately, as the typical Ameri-
can man, but this is perhaps al-
together too simple a description.
It would be much truer to de-
scribe Mr. Truman and his
daughter as typical American
women—which they surely are,
both in appearance and tempera-
ment.

Man Of The People

The President is curiously free
from all those neuroses and com-
plexes which too-clever-by-half
foreign observers—to say nothing
of home-produced sociologists like
Kinsey—delight to find in every
American male.

He is rather that rare animal
which the psychologists boys
frustratedly dismiss as a "fully
integrated personality." His
mental health is matched by a no
less hearty physical constitution.
He never dreads the nervous
ecstasy of duodenal ulcer.

He is thought of as a man of
the people, and the people like
him the better for it. It is cer-
tainly true that he is completely
at his ease with all classes of the
community and that he lacks all
those crippling inhibitions which
beset bourgeois Socialists like Mr.
Attlee or Sir Stafford Cripps.

Nor is he troubled by inverted
snobbery like Mr. Anwarin Deven.
The latter would have found him-
self excluded from the President's
inaugural ball, where I was one
of the conspicuous dinner-jacketed
few in a sea of white ties and
full-dress uniforms.

With less diffidence than Mr.
Attlee in similar circumstances
the President, too, has started his
"fair deal" at home and voted
himself a very large increase in
salary and expenses. Because of

The Dollar Dole

This speech made it clear that
the President has abandoned, at
least for the present, any idea he
may have had of the possibility of
buying agreement with Moscow at
anybody else's expense.

In any case, his insistence on
the need for continued American
preparation for the armed de-
fence of the free world, which was
so loudly applauded by his audi-
ence as the ghost B38 Super-
fortresses whose flight overseas
emphasised his words, should put
some stomach into nations nerv-
ous of being abandoned to Rus-
sian power and influence.

On the other hand, it would
not be wise for European Govern-
ments to assume too lightly from
the extremely generous tone of
the President's references to the
continuation and reinforcement
of the recovery programme that
they can count on the dollar dole
in perpetuity.

Influential people in Wash-
ington are worried about the danger
of such an interpretation being
put on the speech, which they
would have preferred to stress
the strict qualifications which will
certainly be demanded by Con-
gress.

Anti-Bevinism

The failure of the talks on
European unity due to wrecking
by Messrs. Bevin and Dalton will
come in for much criticism here,
although for the time being anti-
Bevinism is somewhat on the
wane, since it is obvious that the
Foreign Secretary has agreed to
alter his policy.

Every Day A
Scandal Day

Moscow, February 1.

The Soviet trade union news-
paper, "Trud," commenting today
on reports of the arrest of a Do-
mocratic-Liberal member of the
Japanese Diet and the interroga-
tion of 20 others, said, "In Tokyo,
every day begins with the latest
parliamentary scandal."

"If the exposures continue at
the same pace, by the end of
winter the meetings of the
Party's parliamentary group will
have to be held in prison," the
newspaper said.

"Out of the 282 parliamentary
deputies of Premier Yoshida's
majority party, 39 are already
under investigation," the paper
added.—Reuter.

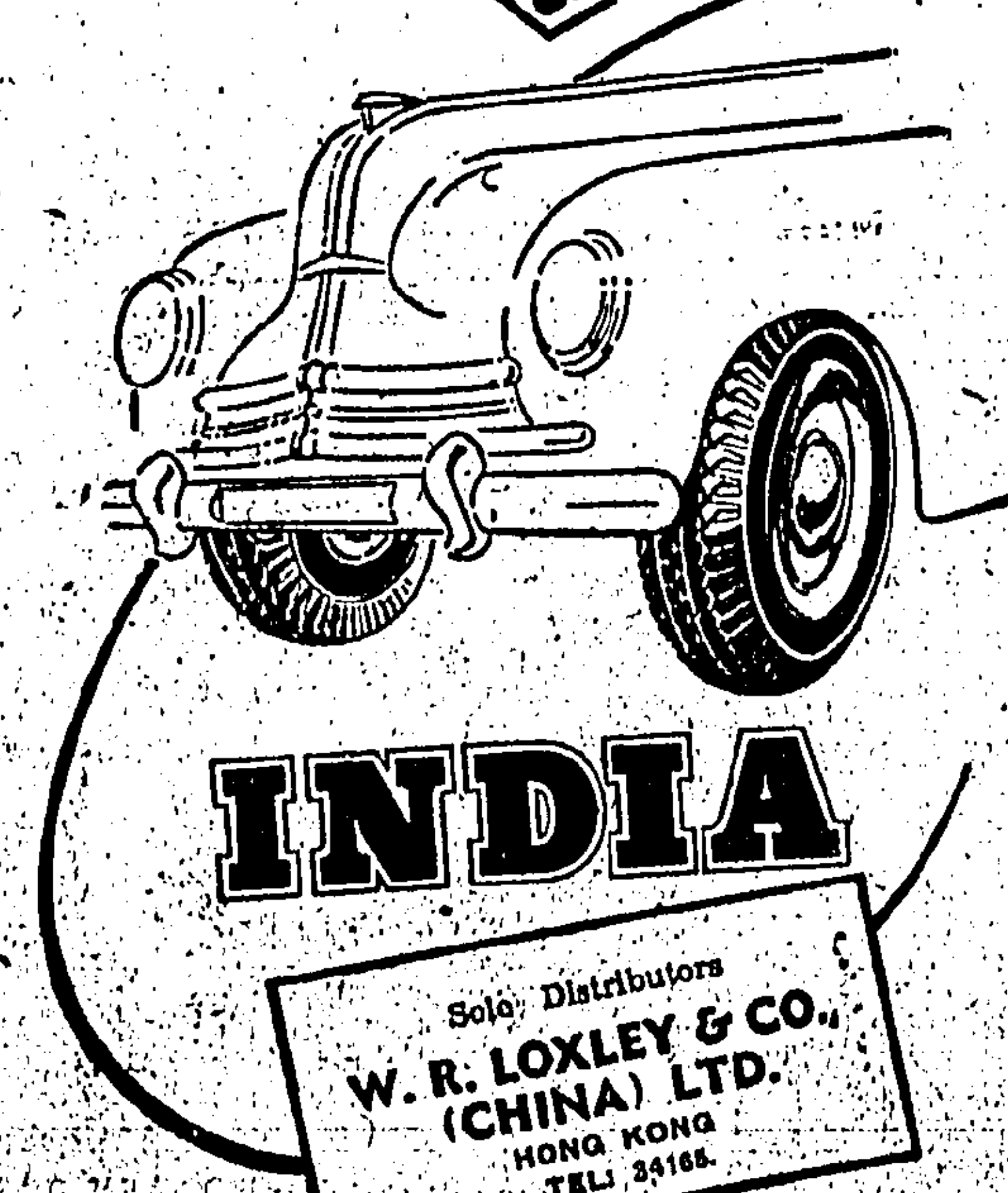
Russian Fugitives
Reach America

Washington, February 4.

Two tired but happy Russian
Army lieutenants, who fled from
the Soviet Union last autumn, ar-
rived from Germany for a week's
tour of Virginia, something they
have looked forward to since
they heard about it two years
ago. Peter Petrov, 29, and An-
atole Baranov, 32, stopped briefly at
Washington's National Airport
before Virginia officials whisked
them to Richmond where they
were to be greeted by Governor
William Tuck and other dignita-
ries.

The Russians first heard about
Virginia on the Voice of America
broadcast in 1947 and determined
to see it for themselves. Last
October they escaped from their
base in Poland in a "borrowed"
plane and crash-landed four
hours later in the American zone
of Austria.—United Press.

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CARDINAL'S CONFESSION

Hungarian Primate Denies Force Was Used

"Sees Things Now In New Light"

Budapest, February 4.

Joseph, Cardinal Mindszenty, today denied in an open court that his partial confession of treason and espionage had been obtained by force. Dr. Vilmos Olti, President of the five-man court trying the Cardinal and six co-defendants, and in effect the prosecutor in the case against them, asked the Hungarian Primate: "Did any one force you to make your confession?" No, replied the first Cardinal to be tried on civil charges in modern times.

It was presumed that Dr. Olti was referring to asking his question to a letter which the Cardinal was reported by Hungarian refugees have to written before his arrest to the Hungarian Board of Bishops. In that letter, according to reports from refugees published in London and elsewhere, the Primate said that any confession he might make would be "only as a consequence of human frailty and in advance I declare it null and void."

Cardinal Mindszenty told the people's court that his letter declaring he would never willingly admit to accusations of the Hungarian government was written "when... I didn't see certain things as I do now." He said the letter was written before his arrest in December.

Confession Meaningless

The semi-official Vatican newspaper, Osservatore Romano, dismissed the Cardinal's confession as meaningless, pointing out that he had denied it in advance "when he was free." The newspaper comment was written before Mindszenty repudiated the letter.

The Hungarian Primate's trial continued a six-hour court session today at which both the prosecution and defence completed the presentation of their testimony. A Government spokesman said tonight that the trial might end tomorrow with the presentation of final arguments.

Peter Paul Esterhazy and Miklos Nagy, co-defendants, admitted having acted as a spy against the government and added, "I regret it and want to pay for it." The fifth defendant, Jesuit priest Bela Ispanyi, admitted giving information to a Church society leader who is now a political fugitive.—United Press.

Washington, February 5. The State Department on Friday authorised the American Minister, Mr. Belden Chapin, to protest against the exclusion of American observers from the Cardinal Mindszenty trial. Britain had acted earlier the same lines.—Associated Press.

West Indies Federation

Bridgetown, Barbados, February 4.

Delegates from the British West Indies, who have been meeting here to study closer association between the Colonies under the recommendations of the Montego Bay Conference in Jamaica in 1947, decided to establish a regional economic committee consisting of representatives of the various governments concerned.

The conference also agreed to the establishment of a federation of primary producers of the Caribbean and British Guiana. The conference was presided over by Sir Hubert Rance, who is also Chairman of the committee considering West Indian federation.

Delegates attended from British Guiana, British Honduras, Jamaica, the Leeward Islands, Trinidad and the Windward Islands.—Reuters.

Soviet On U.S. Naval Policies

Moscow, February 5.

Russia is keeping an eye on American naval policies.

The Soviet Navy paper, "Red Fleet," asks in the current issue why the United States naval leaders "emphasize the construction of aircraft carriers and submarine forces" and added "not for defence of their communications, which no one threatens, but for the cutting off at any moment of the communications of other powers on the seas and oceans—control over the world seaways that is what the United States naval armament construction is based upon at present."—Associated Press.

Ban On Reds Demanded

Melbourne, February 4.

Australia's largest trade union organisation, the Australian Workers Union, with 130,000 members, has called upon its Executive to ban all Communists from official positions in the Union.

A week ago, the Union declined to affiliate with the Australian Council of Trade Unions because it considered that body was "susceptible to pressure from Communist-led unions."—Reuters.

Left Wing Majority In Israel

Tel Aviv, February 5.

There will be a majority of 71 left wing representatives in the Constituent Assembly of Israel, the 120 delegates of which are to meet on February 14 in Jerusalem, according to official final figures published yesterday.

Forty-six seats will be allocated to the Jewish Labour Party, Mapai, led by Prime Minister David Ben Gurion, 19 seats to the Jewish United Workers' Party, Mapai, four seats to the Jewish Arab Communist, while two will go to the Arab Democratic bloc in Nazareth.

Even Mapai and Mapai alone could provide sufficient support for an all Labour Cabinet but in the preliminary discussion is not finished yet.

The possibility of a radical coalition including the religious bloc is envisaged as well. Parties grouped together as the Religious Bloc obtained 16 mandates. Based on the results of Israeli elections on January 25, other parties receive the following number of mandates.

Extreme Nationalist right wing Party, Cherut, led by Menachem Begin, 14; Central-Party of "Progressives," 5; Sephardic-Or-Lental Jewish List, 4; Zionist Women Organisation "Wizo," 1; Semite Jewish Party, 1; "Fighters" (including many former extremist Stern group members), 1.—Associated Press.

Crown Jewels Alarm Scotched

London, February 4.

Guards at the Tower of London today found the glass cracked in the display cabinet housing the priceless Crown Jewels.

A strong guard of uniformed and plainclothes police and while experts fitted a new octagonal glass cover over the case, which contains the Imperial State Crown and other historic regalia. Officials said there was no suspicion of criminal intent. Heat from the interior lighting may have contributed to the cracking of the glass.

One estimate today said that the present-day value of the collection was £20 million.—Reuters.

Italy Pledged To The West

Rome, February 5.

Premier Alcide De Gasperi said on Friday that Italy has joined the movement for political and economic unity of Western Europe because of the prejudice and hostility of Russia.

He told newsmen following a cabinet meeting that Italy has emerged from its isolation at the hands of Fascist dictatorship and has pledged close collaboration with Western European nations.

De Gasperi said Italy's Westward move is historically necessary because of the prejudice and hostility of Russia in vetoing Italian admission to the United Nations.

An earlier announcement in Rome disclosed that Italy had agreed to help direct the economic policy of Western Europe.—Associated Press.

Procession Ban Lifted

London, February 4.

The ban on political processions in London, imposed last year to prevent disturbances in predominantly Jewish quarters, will be lifted on Sunday, the Home Secretary, Mr. James Chuter Ede, announced today.

The Commissioner of Police asked for the ban last April after the Union Movement led by the ex-Fascist leader, Sir Oswald Mosley, had announced its intention of marching through the East End.

Mr. Chuter Ede told Parliament today that the Police Commissioner now thought the ban no longer necessary.—Reuters.

Skymaster Crash

London, February 4.

All 44 passengers, British Service personnel and their families, escaped with cuts and slight injuries in the Skymaster crash at Castel Benito, near Tripoli, today, it was learned here.

The pilot, Captain Kitley, was killed. Five other members of the crew were injured. The accident occurred at 6.00 a.m. local time in the dark, with heavy rain falling. The plane crashed 400 yards from the airfield's control tower shortly after joining the circuit before landing.—Reuters.

ADMIRAL RAMSEY

Manila, February 4.

Admiral Dewitt C. Ramsey, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Pacific Fleet, and his party were scheduled to leave this morning for Shanghai and Tsingtao, where he will confer with Vice-Admiral Oscar Badger, Commander of the US Naval forces in China.

On his return trip to Hong Kong, he will make a four-day stopover in Tokyo during which he will confer with General Douglas MacArthur.—Reuters.

CALWELL RESTATES IMMIGRATION POLICY

Canberra, February 4.

Mr. Arthur Calwell, the Australian Immigration Minister, said in Canberra today that Asiatics who might be British subjects by birth would still be restricted from settling in Australia under the terms of the Immigration Act.

Commenting on the case of Mrs. Annie O'Keefe, the Indonesian wife of an Australian, who was ordered to leave the country with her eight children by a former marriage, he said the marriage of an Asiatic woman to an Australian citizen gave her no rights to remain in Australia.

Denying that he was making any "drive against Asiatics", Mr. Calwell said 300 Asiatics now studying in Australia enjoyed the same rights as Australian students.

An awful tragedy awaits Australia if her economic standards are not protected by laws which have stood the test of nearly a century," he said.

Mr. Calwell said that Asiatic wartime evacuees knew they would have to leave when the war ended and various Asiatic Governments had given an unequivocal guarantee that they would be repatriated to their own countries.

Special Class

About 6,000 people were involved, but none of them should be confused with co-nationals admitted to Australia before or since the war. "The wartime evacuees are a special class and they have all been treated the same way," the Minister added. He disclosed that more than 5,000 had returned home voluntarily, while a few had been exempted because of essential employment in hospitals or other places. Others again had resisted and were forcibly deported.

A Federal official said later that Mrs. O'Keefe would be deported to Indonesia "or to any island in the Pacific where the Government could land them."—Reuters.

Jewellery Restored

Manila, February 5.

Jewellery worth a market value of US\$250,000 were brought from Tokyo for restoration to their owners, two leaders in the wartime puppet government of the Philippines.

They will be returned to Dr. Jose P. Laurel, former President of the Japanese sponsored government and Senator Camillo Osias, Minister of Education during the occupation. The jewellery, including diamond rings, was confiscated by the United States Counter-Intelligence after Japan's surrender.—Associated Press.

New Wave Of Arrests In Poland

Warsaw, February 4.

The Polish Government today officially mentioned for the first time a reported country-wide wave of arrests by secret police among former officers of the A.K.—wartime underground army famed in the Warsaw uprising.

Diplomats have unofficially calculated the total of the arrests at several hundreds in Warsaw and over 1,000 in the provinces, but Colonel Victor Grosz, the Government spokesman, declined to comment on the figure today.

In a delayed reply to foreign reporters, Colonel Grosz said: "The authorities will inform public opinion about the reasons for the arrests in due course and in a short time." Unofficial reports said the arrests include students and some priests who formerly acted as chaplains to A.K. units.

The A.K. "home army" was founded by the Polish wartime leader, General Sikorski, and was directed from London by the Polish emigre Government.

The former Polish Food Minister, M. Wlodzimierz Lechowicz, a member of the Democratic Party, who was arrested last October on suspicion of spying for London Polish agents, was an officer of the A.K.—Reuters.

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Rome, February 3.

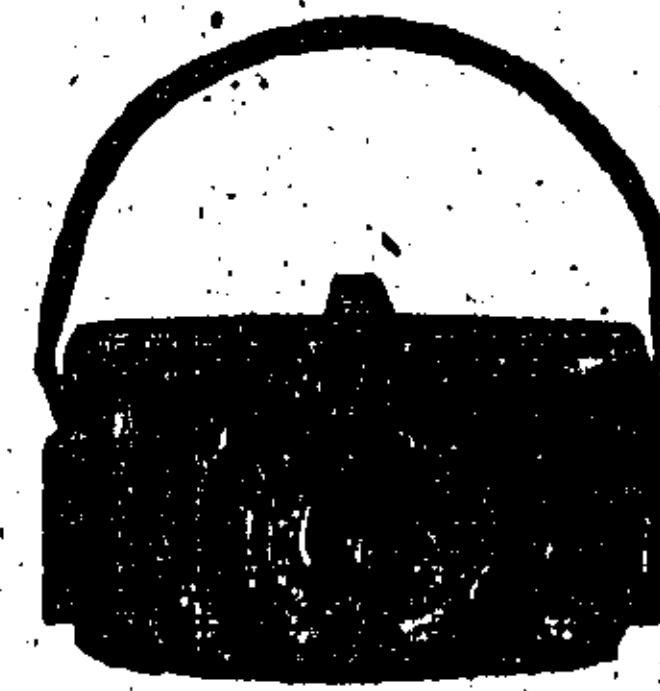
Signor de Gasperi, the Italian Prime Minister, is tonight suffering from "a slight touch of influenza," it is learned here.—Reuters.

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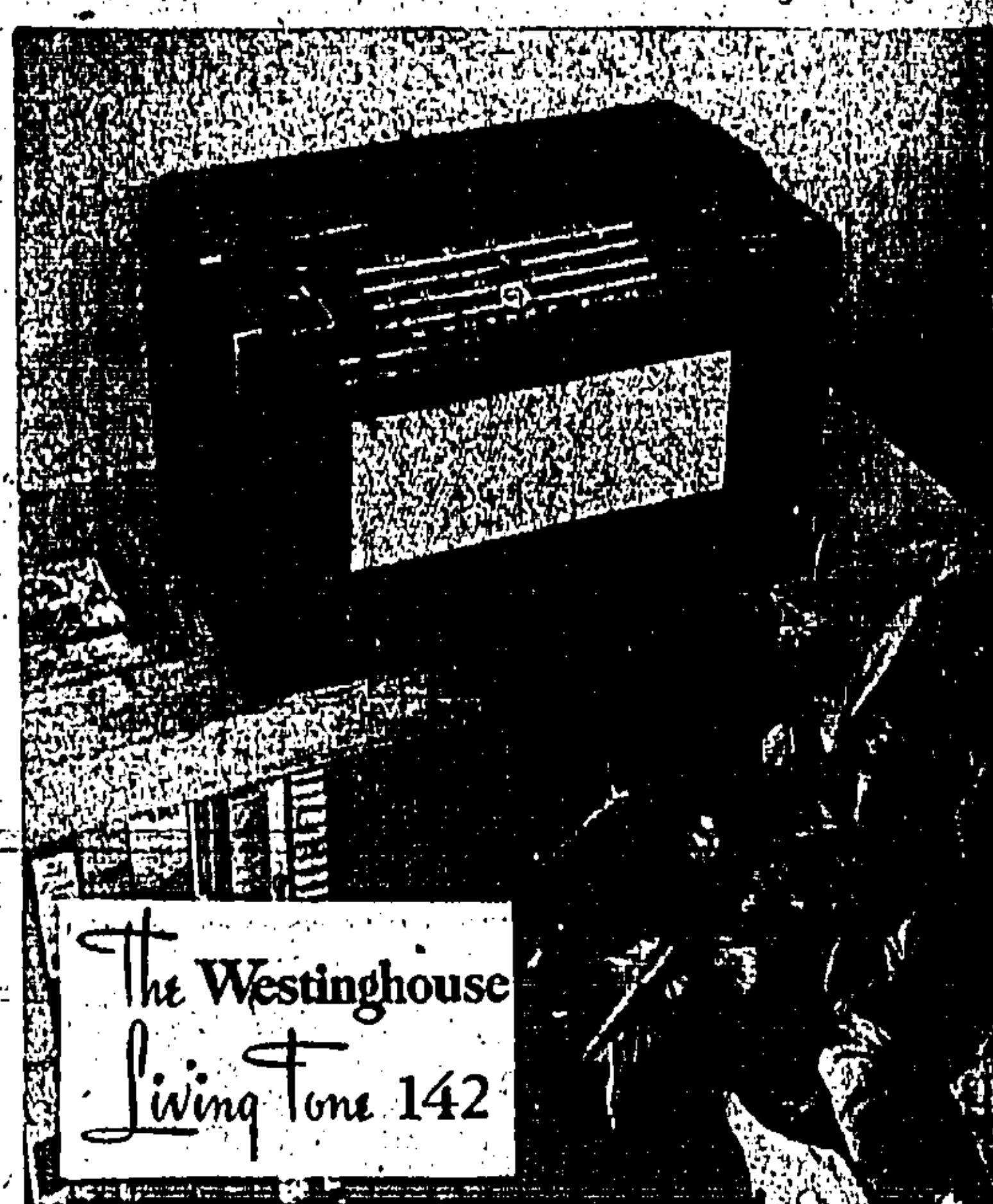
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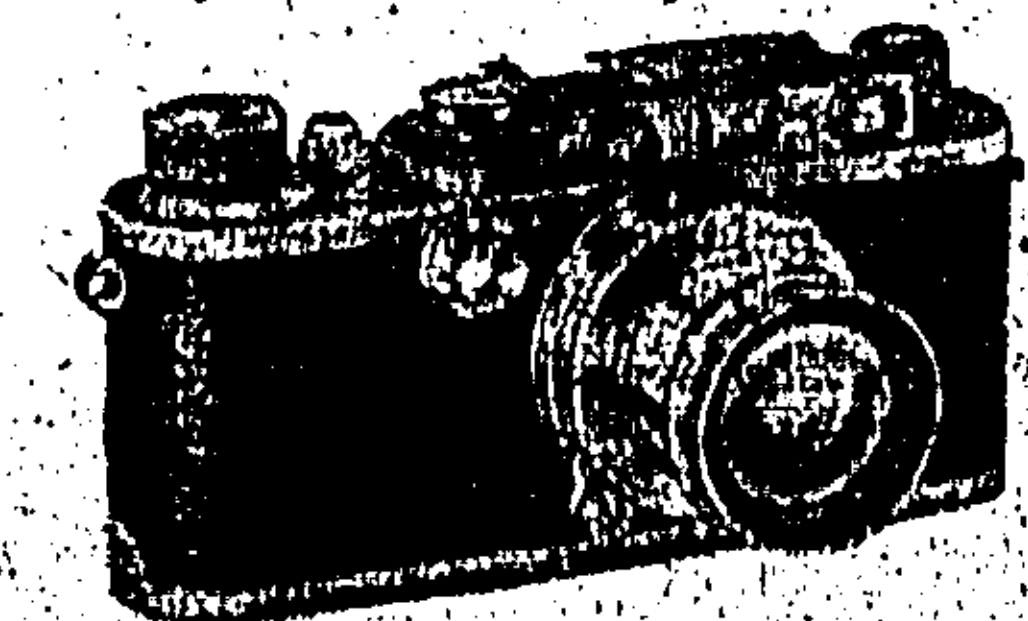


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WHAT does it take to make a great screen actress? How does Hollywood produce so many glamour girls? Why do British girls seem "cold" in comparison? And why is it that unknown girls from the Continent can step in and steal the limelight from Hollywood and British studios?

I put the questions to Orson Welles, who has come over here to make a picture at Shepperton. We sat at lunch in the studio dining-room. At the next table sat Cary Grant and Ann Sheridan, who are also making pictures in this country. In fact, the invasion from across the Atlantic prompted my questions.

What has the American film actress got that—
"The answer is—nothing," said Welles. "But the tendency in British studios is to fashion their up-and-coming stars on Hollywood lines. It is a mistake. A big mistake."

"Englishwomen have something—an indefinable something—of their own. It should be emphasised. The tendency is to minimise it—to copy American glamour on toothpaste advertisement lines."

"There is a saving on the Continent," he said. "Oh, those ugly Englishwomen! But Englishwomen have gripped the Continent with their peculiar English charm and beauty for the past 300 years."

In Spite Of?

"In every generation there has been such a woman. Today it is Vivien Leigh, because of her greatness as an actress, because of her personality and charm and in spite of her good looks."

"In spite of what?" I interrupted.

"Beauty," said Welles. "Is a terrible disadvantage in a woman with screen ambitions. No one will believe that she will make the grade as an actress."

"A beautiful woman probably has to wait until middle age for a real chance. They say in Hollywood about a girl, 'Sure, she has looks, but can she act?'"

But how does Hollywood get such a good supply of glamour girls?
Said Welles: "In the States we are mass-production specialists. We have thousands of night-spots and theatres. And we have a vast Continent or the whole world to draw on."

Betty Grable, I suggested, was a typical American type of glamour girl. How was she picked out?

"I knew Betty when she was a stock girl," said Welles. "She was on the stage in New York. She wasn't picked out. Nothing could stop her. You could not hide Betty in any chorus."

"People imagine that stars are what they are because they are simply billed big by someone. If anyone gets that impression after seeing a picture, then the picture must have been pretty poor."

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"It has nothing to do with bathing costumes and large tresses of platinum hair," said Welles.

What Is Glamour

"That is not glamour. Garbo had glamour and she was not a great beauty. Tallulah Bankhead will be glamorous when she is seventy! Ralph Richardson is a great actor. But who would say he had glamour? He had to get on without it."

"There are a lot of wrong ideas about the people on the screen." Mr. Welles as actor and producer who works in Hollywood, London and Paris has little peace from would-be film stars. Young girls and women are the most persistent.

"Oh, I don't mind," he said. "Life is pretty drab and hard these days. A woman looks on the screen and sees a new world full of good things, fame, money, milk cows, big cars, world travel, in fact a life full of incident."

"To a woman the screen is the pumpkin coach which will take her away from the cinders. What she doesn't realise is that stardom means getting up very early nearly every morning. It means hard work—slavery almost. What it doesn't mean is having a life of ease and gaiety."

"When a woman asks me if I can get her into films I say there is nothing I can do. Maybe that isn't altogether true. But I don't mind being bothered. Why should I? I had to pester people. Most stars have had to pester somebody at some time."

Girl With Experience

What about the Continental actresses who often take Hollywood and British studios by storm? One of them is Valli, the young Italian girl who is playing the lead in "The Third Man" with Cotten and Welles.

"Valli has already had tremendous screen experience," said Welles. In Italy and in France they make scores of pictures to every one made in Hollywood. Valli has made hundreds. She had like so many Continentals.

"Background which is denied American and British girls." But there are exceptions. Rita Hayworth. She has made so many films since she was 18. She is an extraordinary star. She is a talented actress and one of the best dancers....

Wells Picks Six

I asked Welles to pick at random six women stars, and name the qualities that have made them successful. Here is his answer:

VIVIEN LEIGH: "One of the most beautiful and gifted of all living mortals."

BETTY GRABLE: "A refreshing vital and talented representative of a type of American womanhood."

ANN SHERIDAN: "Loaded with talent, she overcame the disability of her good looks and rose to stardom after being classed as a sweater girl."

MYRNA LOY: "Another representative of a type of American woman. Talented, gentle, charming."

RYA HAYWORTH: "She is great."

I asked him about other British stars. "I am sorry," he said. "I haven't seen them. I rarely go to the pictures."

It truly looks now as though 1949 may possibly become known as the year when the thaw set in to Russia's "cold war."

"So you won't talk, eh?" has for so long been all the West has been able to say to the Soviet leaders that even now speculation is risky. But here in Scandinavia at least the belief grows that the Russians plan to win their immediate aim not with arms but with the twin weapons of clever diplomacy and intensive Communist infiltration in the democratic lands.

There are many signs that this reading of the Soviet cinema is correct.

Kind Words

In Washington the Soviet Embassy propaganda sheet printed kind words about the Americans, the first for many a day.

The Russians announce they are willing to talk on Austria. In Scandinavia the Communist parties launched a propaganda drive to oppose the Northern Defence Union.

Finally, the Swedes have a report that even the Red Army is thinking defensively, at least in one respect. Refugees from Eastern Europe report progress on construction of a long Russian defence line which follows roughly the route of classic battlefields of Eastern Poland. The

book has a song which, it says, is "on the lips of the Indian children." It goes, in rough translation:

We labour and are starving too
And life to us is pain;
But soon will come great Lenin,
Who
Will bring us joy again.

Musical makes triple news from Moscow this week. An unpublished cantata by Tchaikovsky, reconstructed by scholars from instrumental parts found in Klin, has been performed at the Moscow Conservatoire.

Modernist Sergei Prokofiev is in trouble again with the Soviet Composers' Association, who allege that his opera, "Tale of a Real Person," is tainted with "decaying bourgeois culture" despite the previous warnings he has received about following the party line.

And Moscow has discovered its own Benjamin Britten, a young composer who has leaped to national fame.

The prodigy is 20-year-old Alexander Arutyunyan, from Yerevan, capital of Soviet Armenia, whose "homeland cantata," just performed before the Composers' Association, has won official approval and therefore universal praise.

Alex should have no Prokofiev trouble, for the critics say his cantata, for solo voice, chorus, and symphony orchestra, "pictures the happy life of the Soviet people."



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By EDNA MCKENNA

If a plate of green roast beef were put in front of you, would you eat it?

"Ugh! you say. Well, your instinctive answer is backed up by a scientific experiment carried out recently when four human 'guinea-pigs' were offered green roast beef, dark brown cabbage, red potatoes and violet carrots."

The reaction of the "guinea-pigs" was Ugh! too. This, said Mr. Milner Gray, an industrial designer, talking at the Royal Society of Arts, is important.

"Not only do we need to know about people's preferences in terms of colour, but we need to know the reaction of the 'guinea-pigs' to the choices people make."

21 Colours

Another food colour test was carried out with cakes decorated in 21 different colour schemes. The four most popular combinations were a pale yellow base with mauve decoration, white with red, lime green with scarlet and rose pink with dark green.

Only one cake with a dark ground and lighter-coloured trimmings won a high place in the popularity scale.

When the Civic Restaurant Service of Manchester, which made the experiments, applied the lessons learned from them, they found that sales of cakes increased.

"Choice of colours appropriate to the season was found profitable," said Mr. Gray.

The same principles, that people are affected by the colour of the familiar things of their daily lives, can be applied to industry.

In America, Mr. Gray went on, workers complained that black metal boxes filled with briar pipes were so heavy that they strained their backs. The management had the boxes painted pale green, unknown to the men who had to handle them.

At once the reaction was—"Say, these new light-weight boxes make a real difference!"

Mr. Gray called this an example of the persuasive powers of colour.

"The average person," he remarked, "will underestimate the temperature of a blue room and overestimate the temperature of a red room."

Most housewives, of course, react very strongly to the colours of rooms.

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To sell, particularly in foreign markets, it is important to know how people live, work, dress and eat in those countries, and knowing this then to supplement traditional design with new but still native forms so that we retain the individuality for which we are famous.

Lost Individuality

In attempting, for example, to copy American-styled cars all Britain has done is to lose the individuality of the once famous British car, said Mr. Gray.

Our object must be to make full use of standard parts, but by design to provide the buyer with a better and cheaper product. Though there is still a certain demand for the traditional heavily decorated wares that the world associates with the British style, it is rapidly diminishing.

"In my opinion," Mr. Gray concluded, "the designer, if rightly employed by industry, can play a significant role in Britain's economic recovery."

Inspector Syrov thinks the Fashion Council is badly organised. Among its 30 members—artists, actors and leaders of various trade organisations—he says there is not included a single expert from the clothing trade.

Why do husbands leave home? The "Red" answer is given in Anatoly Safonov's play Moscow Character. The story is about the director of a machine factory who refuses to start production of an important new machine on the grounds that it will retard his factory's total output.

His wife opposes him, saying that production of a new type of machine which the whole Soviet Union needs is more important than the record of any individual factory director. She denounces him at the Party meeting. Says wife to husband:

"This is not a personal matter; but a public affair. And you are treating it as if it were some trifling business—such as if I had been unfaithful to you."

Happy End
Applauds the critical Moscow News: "Thus spoke a progressive Soviet woman." The happy end comes when the director admits his ideological errors and returns to his progressive wife.

Stop press: Just renovated and reopened at a cost of £42,000, Moscow's Press Club, the "House of Journalists," has a concert hall, three billiards-rooms, a library, with 60,000 books, a restaurant, and, says Trud, "ten rooms for working." So all they need there now is some news.

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Canadians Demonstrate In London

London, February 4. Canadian seamen in tartan lumberjackets, sea-boots and stocking hats demonstrated outside Canada House in London's West End today, declaring they had been dismissed and replaced by cheaper foreign labour.

About 12 seamen paraded with placards reading: "Canadians fired, foreigners hired, on Canadian ships."

A delegation of two was received by a representative of the Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. J. Pope, an official of the Canadian Seamen's Union in London, stated: "Numbers of Canadian ship owners are bringing crews of Canadians to bring ships from Canada. When they reach a foreign port they put off the Canadian crews and hire foreign crews at lower rates."

"Over 25 ships with Canadian flags are now sailing with foreign crews and not one Canadian aboard,"—Reuter.

PACIFIC PACT RUMOUR DENIED

Ottawa, February 4. Rumors that Canada had been asked to join a Pacific security alliance were called "speculation" by the External Affairs Minister, Mr. Lester Pearson, today in the House.

Mr. Pearson said: "No proposals of that kind have been made to us by any government. We have no knowledge whatever of proposals for a Pacific alliance, nor have we been asked to give our blessings to any such proposals."

Mr. Pearson dealt with the Pacific in his opening remarks on external affairs.—United Press.

CEREMONIAL FAREWELL

Nicosia, February 4. Jewish internees from Cyprus and Xylophourou camps today made a ceremonial farewell to 61 adults and 49 children who died in captivity and are buried in the Margot Jewish cemetery near here.

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FIVE SHOTS FIRED BY JOURNALIST

Tehran, February 4. Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi was shot and slightly injured this afternoon by an assailant identified as a newspaperman named Fakhr Rai. The assailant was attacked by police and a crowd and later taken to a hospital seriously injured.

A communique was issued shortly after the shooting by the Premier's Office and the Chief of Staff saying that the Shah had been shot at close range, slightly injured the Shah in the hip and back. The communique added that the Shah returned to the Royal Palace after first-aid treatment at a nearby hospital.

Yesterday about 1,000 University students demonstrated in the Majlis (Parliament) Square here, demanding the cancellation of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company's concessions, and an ending of the activities of the British Imperial Bank of Iran.

The communique said that the Shah had gone from his Palace to the University to assist at the 15th anniversary celebrations there and to distribute prizes to the students.

He was shaking hands with the Rector and other University officers on a platform when his assailant fired.

Five Shots

The Shah's aides and police pounced on the assailant and beat him so severely he had to be sent to hospital. He had fired five almost point-blank shots at the Shah. Two shots hit the other in the body, and three passed through his hat.

The Italian Cabinet and the police and Army chiefs met immediately after the incident and ordered martial law and curfew imposed on Tehran.

The bullet which struck the Shah in the face passed through without inflicting any bone and the body wound in the back was described as superficial.

Reza Pahlavi was proclaimed Shah on September 17, 1941, after his father, Reza Shah Pahlavi, abdicated under Allied pressure.

The 30-year-old Shah recently divorced Queen Fawzia, sister of King Farouk of Egypt and considered one of the world's most beautiful women. They were married in 1939.

Reza Shah Pahlavi abdicated in favour of his son as Russian armoured cars approached Tehran in 1941 and British forces prepared to occupy the capital.

A Soldier

The curly-haired, darkly handsome Crown Prince was favoured by the British to succeed his father as a means of preserving the Iranian Government, until the Allies were able to settle some of that country's post-war problems.

The young Shah, who is tall and slender, was schooled as a soldier in Switzerland.

The Finance and Foreign Ministers today told the Chamber of Deputies the Government was doing all in its power to recover its "legitimate rights" from the Company.—Reuter and United Press.

U.S. AIR CRASH

New Orleans, February 4. An Air Force plane, identified by the Coast Guard as a B-25 from Keesler Field with eight men on board, crashed in Lake Pontchartrain late today with one engine aflame.

Navy and Coast Guard officials said all occupants were killed.—United Press.

Gen. Markos Gets The Sack

Athens, February 4. General Markos has been sacked by the fifth plenary session of the Central Committee of the Greek Communist Party, the rebel Radio said tonight.

Tonight's rebel Radio report came little more than a week after General Markos' "Free Greek Government" had announced terms for co-operating with the Greek Government.

The report said General Markos was "seriously ill and unable to fulfil the task assigned to him" and had been "discharged from any office."

The decision was stated to have been adopted by the Committee, "sitting somewhere" in the Grammos Mountain region of northern Greece on January 30 and 31. Twenty six members attended the session, the broadcast said.

The Radio added that Chrysa Hatzivasiliou, former wife of the "Democratic Government's" Foreign Minister, Roussos, had also been "discharged" from any duty as she was also seriously ill and it was impossible for her to fulfil any of the "party's" tasks.

Election Planned

The rebel broadcast announced that elections for the party's Political Bureau would be held and changes made in the Central Committee after approval at the forthcoming eighth Congress of the Greek Communist Party.

It was believed here that Markos will be succeeded by General Goussis, who first leaped into prominence during the recent Government attacks against Kastoria.

Thin black-haired Markos—a mystery man to most of the world outside his Balkan hide-outs—was born in 1906. He has been an unwavering supporter of the Communist Party since joining it in 1924 after settling in Salonika from Asia Minor.—Reuter.

Labour Bill Endorsed

Miami, Florida, February 4. The American Federation of Labour today endorsed an administration labour bill now before Congress.

The AFL president, Mr. William Green, said the Executive Council, representing some 8,000,000 members of AFL unions, unanimously "accepted" the bill, with only a few minor objections, during a session in its annual winter meeting.

"The Council unanimously decided to accept the measure and I will go to Washington on Wednesday to present certain recommendations to the Senate Committee now conducting hearings on the bill," said Mr. Green. He said the Council's objections were concerned entirely with the language of certain sections of the bill but did not affect the Council's unanimous endorsement.—United Press.

Peiping Problem

Peiping, February 5. Foreigners in Peiping are waiting for the Communists to establish some office through which those in control of this city may be reached.

A plan to send a chartered plane here today to fly out any members of the ECA wishing to leave has been delayed because Director Ritchie Davis of Bloomington, Indiana, is unable to contact any authority for approval.—Associated Press.

PALESTINE PEACE HOPES RISE AGAIN

Rhodes, February 5. Now hope for a Palestine settlement rose on Friday following Israel's welcome to the proposal that six Arab nations join the Israeli-Egyptian negotiations at Rhodes.

The invitation was issued by the United Nations Mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche.

"This is a further step on the road to peace," Mr. Eytan, chief Jewish delegate said. "That is why the Israeli Government has accepted the proposal immediately. There will be complicated problems to discuss but we hope that in a spirit of mutual understanding it will be possible to surmount any obstacles."

The new talks should begin in 10 days, Dr. Bunche suggested. The Mediator's proposal followed a reported Israeli threat to withdraw from the talks with Egypt unless the final Egyptian proposals on Israel's frontiers.

These Jewish proposals were based on the "Bunche Lines" suggested by the Mediator.

In Jerusalem, Colonel Walter Elliott, the British Conservative Member of Parliament for Scottish Universities said that he found both Jews and Arabs anxious for a final settlement.—Associated Press.

Answering the question whether the Arab States would enter the talks separately, the politically well-informed "Al Nahar" states that the Egyptian Government "turned down" a suggestion from Iraq for a Political Committee meeting, realising the importance of Arab States facing the coming events with a single viewpoint.

The Lebanon is trying its utmost to conciliate between Cairo and Baghdad, the paper said. "The Arab daily, 'Al Ahsan', which is accused by its opponents of being isolationist, says: 'Lebanon refuses to enter the proposed fertile Crescent Union or entertain any modification of its present national status. Lebanon is an independent State and must remain so towards the East as well as towards the West.'—Reuter.

Bevin Makes His Choice

London, February 4. Britain has chosen her first diplomatic representative to Israel, but the announcement of his appointment will be deferred until the Israeli Government has formally notified London of its representative to Britain.

The two appointments are expected to be the subject of a simultaneous communique. Official quarters preserve silence on the identity of Britain's nominee, who has been approved by the Israeli Government but it is understood that he is a career diplomat.

It is believed that the British choice has been made with unusual care against the background of past British relationships with Palestine and the present British recognition of Israel.

Parliamentary quarters earlier had discussed the possibility that a Labour politician might be appointed to the post. This suggestion now finds little support.—Reuter.

Lebanese Refusal?

Beirut, February 4. The Arabic daily newspaper Al Dyaar said today that the Lebanese Government had decided not to accept the invitation to take part in the Rhodes armistice negotiations with Israel before knowing the decision of the other Arab countries.

The French-language evening newspaper, Le Soir, said the Arab governments had agreed in principle to the talks but were not yet decided on the date and place.

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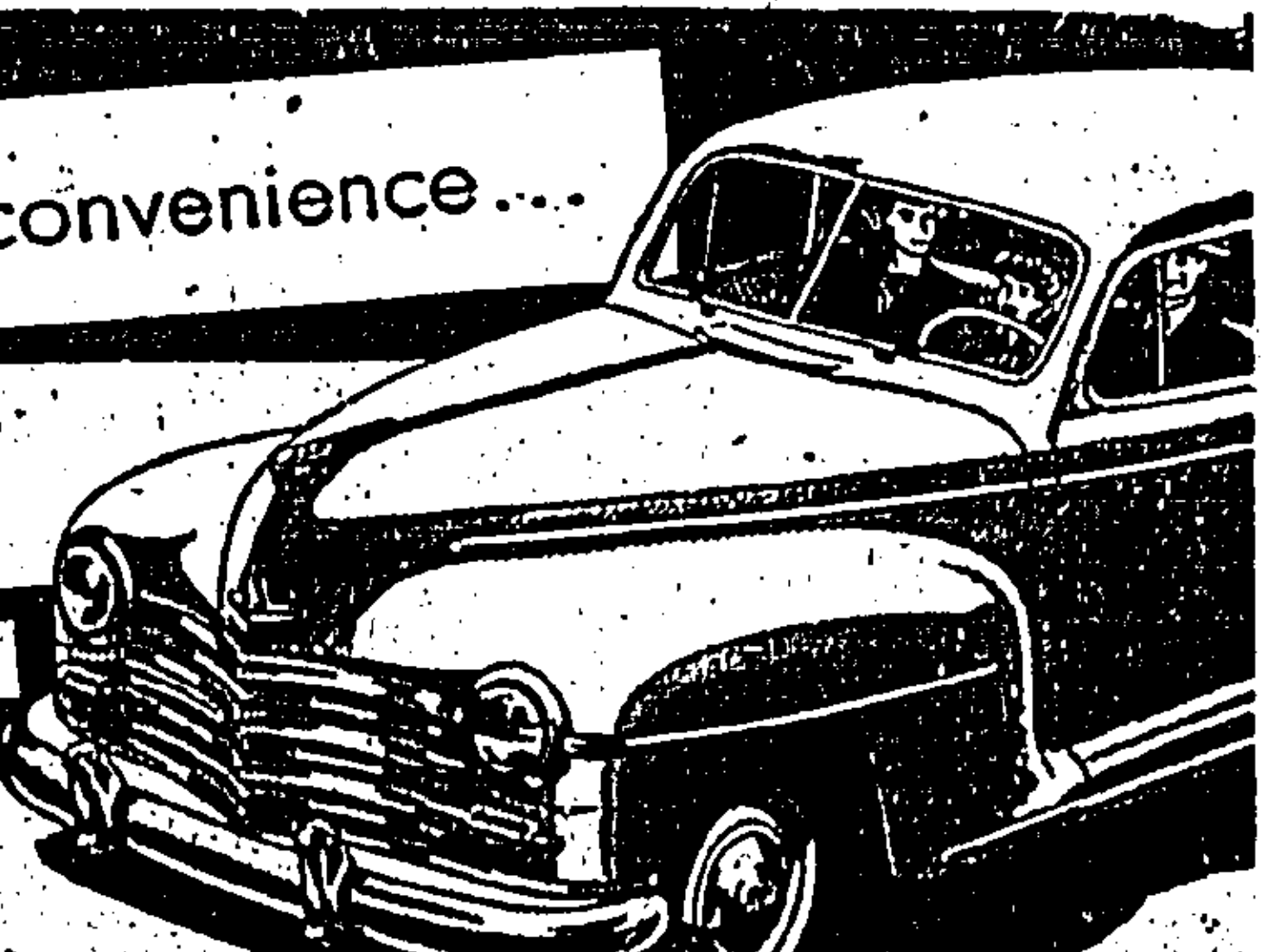
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DEFENCE OF HONG KONG

Questions in the House of Commons and the subsequent discussion in the House of Lords on the defence of Hong Kong, should the necessity ever arise, added nothing to public knowledge. In the Commons, Mr. A. V. Alexander, Minister of Defence, murmured that all "practicable" measures will be taken, and went on to say that the Home Government is "watching the situation in the Far East very carefully." Members of Parliament were, of course, completely enlightened and reassured by this detailed outline of official policy. Rising to deal with another inquisitive back-bencher, the Secretary of State for the Colonies was equally informative. It would not be in the public interest, he pontificated, to disclose the arrangements which have been made to deal with the increasing flow of Chinese into the Colony. He quietened all possible doubts as to the adequacy of this reply by giving his assurance that the "problem has been most fully considered."

The Lords discussed the Hong Kong issue with little better results, except insofar as it was shown that Hong Kong is not entirely forgotten and that there are influential peers in the House who are well-informed on this Colony's affairs. A wrong impression would be created, however, were it to be assumed from the paucity of Ministerial information on Hong Kong's plans for dealing with any emergency that might arise that the Imperial Government is not specially interested. Much nearer the truth is a surmise that Whitehall has displayed much more excitement and alarm in this part of the world than has been noticeable here on the spot. The flare-up in Malaya, still extremely troublesome and still capable of exposing the Government to attack for failure to take appropriate action, coupled with the disruption in the Middle East and the headaches provided by the edging away of India and Burma, have made Labour Ministers extremely sensitive as well as vulnerable. But as Viscount Hall said in the House of Lords, "those in authority in Hong Kong do not take quite so pessimistic a view of the situation" as did Lord Douglas, and only time can show whose estimate of the potentialities and requirements is the correct one. Not everybody in Hong Kong agrees with the Government. Plans for the reorganisation of the Defence Force are expected to blossom out fully in the coming week with a powerful recruiting drive. Results, there is good reason to fear, may not come up to expectations, partly because there remains a legacy of grievance from the 1941 show and partly because the conviction is strong in many minds that the scheme is not effectively designed to meet the real need. Nevertheless, Europeans in Hong Kong will be sensible not to depend upon assurances of assistance "as far as is practicable" from London, but will determine to stand on their own feet. The Colony's greatest immediate danger is, probably, civil commotion. It matters not whether the Defence Force plan is the best instrument for coping with such a development, but it is certainly more satisfactory than any hasty last-minute improvisation.

WORLD'S YOUNGEST DEMOCRACY

Handshake With Britain

By ANNA GINSBOURG

Britain's de facto recognition of Israel, the Jewish State in Palestine, created against her political will and viewpoint of "realities" in the Middle East, cannot be interpreted in a narrow sense of triumph or gloom of the relevant Jewish and Arab "causes." It deserves a broader understanding as a major diplomatic move averting the balance of power in the West-Eastern controversy in that part of the world where political orientation has been bitterly contested for the last three decades.

The emergence of Israel with its pure democratic constitution and form of Government in Asia Minor, a crossroads between Asia "major" with the present sweeping political changes and Europe, divided into ideologically belligerent states, presupposes, first of all:

That Israel, whose pronounced policy is support of the United Nations, i.e. political neutrality, by its very origin and tradition is actually allied to the democratic West, and

That given moral and material support in the sense implied by the Marshall Plan in Europe, Israel is bound to become the democratic bulwark and paragon of Western political system in the Middle East, spreading progress and culture to the neighbouring backward States.

The recently concluded first Israel elections to the Constituent Assembly showed a predominance of the Labour Party—Mapai—with the Left-wing Socialist party second in the lead and the Communists in an insignificant minority. This fact is most discouraging to Russia's aspirations in Palestine as the Jewish cause in the United Nations and has followed this line throughout Israel's struggle for existence—all this, being in direct contradiction to outlawing Zionism as a "dangerous thinking" with her own precincts. At the same time, a Labour victory in Israel paves the way for the beginning of normal relationship with England and the Commonwealth which are vital for Israel and indispensable for Western interests in the Middle East.

There is much similarity in tasks and methods between Labour England and Labour Israel, and granted goodwill on both sides, lies of mutually useful friendship can be set even at this stage. The fact that Jewish Palestine, which today is the State of Israel, is predominantly the product of organised labour should inspire sufficient sympathy from the British side, and it should be reminded that the labour movement in Palestine in the beginning of 40 years ago was affiliated and received constant encouragement from the British Labour Party and the Trades Union Congress in England.

The triumph of the Labour party in Israel should not be underestimated. It signifies the recognition and the success of a plan of "effort by the pioneers of the movement who came to the country in the beginning of the century with the desire to do away with Jewish homelessness and to create

a new society built on principles of equality, justice, co-operation and mutual aid. Their task was not only to build the State but create its architects, adapt Jews to physical labour, return to the soil and start a co-operative society with the participation of the Arabs. It is a significant fact that the first organisation of Arab labour in Palestine was initiated by Jewish workers and that several Arab Railway Workers Union was started when the General Federation of Jewish Labour (the Histadrut) which took 174,000 members comprising 75% of the labour movement in the country, has striven for co-operation and mutual aid with Arab workers.

Here are some figures to illustrate the achievements of the Jewish labour experiment in Palestine: From some 650,000 Jewish population, more than 200,000 live on the land, in smallholders' settlements or in farming villages. About 50,000 live in Kibbutzim or collective settlements, in which no wages are paid; the members work collectively, live collectively and collectively own all they possess. There are altogether 234 such co-operative settlements in Israel plus some 80 villages of a slightly different type.

The purchase of land in Palestine has been nationalised since 1901 when the Jewish National Fund, was established and acquired land to date nearly 1,000,000 dunams (1 dunam=1,000 sqm), out of which 120,000 dunams are used for citrus plantation. This Fund, subscribed by Jews the world over, has invested over £13,000,000 into redemption of land as a collective property of the Jewish nation.

The still undetermined question of Israel's frontiers with Egypt and Transjordan precludes us from giving accurate data as to her territory and geography, which information should be of interest to those who understand how valuable may later prove the early intercourse started with the budding "mideastern democracy," containing the averages and the plot of the war, which will call for restoration of transport and housing by importation from abroad, it should be noted that Israel made tremendous industrial progress during the second World War, with the result that her economy at present is in many respects different from what it was a decade ago.

To protect her young industries from competition with imported goods, economic barriers will have to be raised, and although Israel could not possibly aspire for a favourable balance of trade for some time to come, consideration should be given to her export capabilities with a view to establishing trade. The export of citrus, which in the past comprised nearly 80% of the total export, today no longer predominates although it

remains first on the list, the second item being ground diamonds and also precision tools, artificial teeth, medicines, piecegoods, dyes, chemicals, kitchenware, etc.

Speaking of imports, Israel will be in need of a wide range of articles from airplanes to foodstuffs of which she has always been short despite a remarkable growth of her agricultural and cattle produce in recent years (for instance, 2,000,000 cases of citrus were exported in 1939 as compared to ten porters in 1947). With the absorption of immigrants, of whom the Government hopes to settle about 1,000,000 in course of 10 years, the need for imports will gradually increase, to be set off by the investment brought by them and the increased productive capacity of the population.

Palestine is said to be lacking raw materials of any importance on which to base an industry. This is true, but only to a certain extent, for the Dead Sea is a tremendous reservoir of raw materials, and the coastline offers opportunities for seafaring, compared to Switzerland which has no raw materials and also no harbour and yet boasts of a magnificent chemical and heavy industry, Israel is in a much better position, not to say anything of the oil pipeline terminus in Haifa.

The hydro-power stations built on the Jordan, which utilise the natural current of the river for providing power for the whole country, are by no means the only example of the ingenuity with which are exploited the country's resources. And if the future sees the realization of the long-term Jordan for irrigating its arid slopes, worked out by the famous authority on the subject, Professor Lowdermilk, with a view to making Palestine habitable for an additional 4,000,000 people, the future may witness the rise of a tiny State to the status of Athens or Judea in ancient times with an influence out of proportion to their size or population.

In one sphere already Jewish Palestine has outgrown the limits of its physical frontiers, and this sphere is culture. It has long been comparable to a lighthouse in the sea of Arab backwardness with its Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Hadassah Hospital, Technical School in Haifa, Symphonic Orchestra in Tel Aviv, Habimah Theatre and a standard of literacy equal only to that of Switzerland and Finland. These cultural amenities are not monopolised by the Jews. It is sufficient to mention that child mortality among Arabs in Palestine dropped from 163 to 100 in 1947 to 102 in 1948.

Israel's rebirth as a Jewish State after 2,000 years of its people's dispersion among five continents has no parallel in world history. It called for vision on the part of the Jews to become a reality. Now it calls for a vision on the part of others to enable it to fulfil its role as the world's newest and most progressive democracy.

MR. TRUMAN'S PLAIN WORDS

President Truman said in his Inaugural that "today marks the beginning, not only of a new Administration, but of a period that will be eventful, perhaps decisive, for us and for the world. And he went on to say that "it may be said to mark the beginning of a new era in the long history of the human race." These drastic words do not exaggerate. It is hard to see how it could be otherwise. In the last 40 years today's world-wide conflict between totalitarianism and liberty must, one way or the other, come to an issue. That will indeed be a turning-point in history.

Down to 35 years ago a large proportion of Englishmen were isolationists at heart. Britain, they thought, was still an island, in spite of Bleriot's flying the Channel five years earlier, and, provided they could avoid the waves we could afford to leave the Continent to fight its own battles. Ministers like Edward Grey or Arthur Balfour knew otherwise, but they had to exert all their powers to secure the acquiescence of their "fellows." What eventually convinced our masses during the 1914-18 war were the German air attacks on Britain. Small though they appear by 1940 standards, they were enough to dispel any illusion of insular immunity. But the Americans in that war experienced no air attacks; the illusion of their immunity was never dispelled, and so in the end they remained aloof from the world's peace was indivisible, the United States did not. Hence Britain's attachment to the League of Nations, and America's abandonment of it.

One more significant fact in the world today is that the United States now stands where Great Britain stood 30 years ago. She has realised that her immunity has ceased to exist. Once more, the air weapon has been the eye-opener. Pearl Harbor and the atomic bomb and the air-route from Russia to America via the North Pole have between them made isolationism untenable. The best American

thought joins the best European thought in recognising the world's peace to be indivisible. More, the Americans see that, since peace rests ultimately on prosperity, prosperity also must be indivisible; that it is not in the long run possible for some nations to remain rich, if others remain miserably poor; that the soul-destroying tyranny which is Communism and the pathological

states of mind which support it, are fostered by backward economic conditions, which it is the interest of the forward nations to help to overcome. Hence the two sides of present-day American policy—the political aiming to fortify the freedom of free nations and the economic aiming to raise the people's standards of life.

A Dynamic Policy

The importance of President Truman's Inaugural is that it expressed with great clearness and at the highest constitutional level these new and dynamic conceptions of American foreign policy. The programme which he based on them had four parts. The first part were existing courses, in which he proposed to continue—support the United Nations and Marshall Aid. The second part were new courses now to be undertaken—to strengthen freedom-loving nations against the dangers of aggression and to make available for the improvement of underdeveloped areas the benefits of American scientific and industrial advances. The third of the four covers, as the President was careful to explain, the North Atlantic Security Pact, which he proposes shortly to submit to the Senate as a full-dress Treaty. The fourth is not yet embodied in any such definite scheme, but Mr. Truman left no doubt as to the importance, which he attaches to it as a principle of action.

The policy as a whole demands from the American nation both on the military and on the economic side such efforts and sacrifices as in the past it has never contemplated making during peace. Before it can be expected to face them it needs to be given a clear view of its mission in the world. It is a mission which could not have fallen to it in the past, when it was smaller, weaker, and so closely absorbed in its own self-development that it had little time to spare for affairs beyond its borders. Nor in the past was the United States ever in danger while the British Navy ruled the seas. It was only when the German submarine threatened British sea supremacy that Washington's Republic awoke to her own immediate peril and had to "entangle" herself in the struggle in order to recover her security. But how imperfect was her people's grasp of the facts in that situation was shown by their revulsion in 1918.

Mr. Truman is evidently determined not to leave them unguided again. This time there is put plainly before them their duty, as he sees it, and their danger. The danger may seem in one respect greater than ever before. In the case of aggressive Germany the direct targets of her malice and greed were European. They were the Balkans or Poland or France or Russia, or if she coveted further fields, it was because of some European State. America came in more remotely. But Soviet Russia proclaims America her prime adversary—her opposite number in the final struggle between the Russian-Marxist dialectic and the American democratic ideal. The United States would be involved from the outset.

Against war danger, says Mr. Truman, the only safeguard is strength. To be strong not only protects you if attacked, it deters the aggressor from attacking you. How useful it would be if someone with similar authority would blazon the same truth in Great Britain!

SOCIALISM'S SECOND FIVE YEARS

Nobody was surprised, that May morning in 1950, that another Labour Government had been returned.

Right through the election campaign the Man-in-the-Street had taken no notice of the usual fine speeches and the usual scares. There were only two thoughts which stuck in his mind. "For one thing," he said, "the 1945 Government was the first I can remember that carried out its election programme, and it would be unfair to discard them for the chaps who always talk fine during elections and do the opposite when they take office."

And for another thing, his quite clear now—though I didn't realise it in 1945—that we were in an awful economic mess after the war; and that Cripps and his team got us out of it as nobody else could have done. "We may have had to tighten our belts, but we haven't collapsed like France and Italy, where Right-Wing Governments have encouraged chaos and the Communists."

And so the Labour Prime Minister set down to select his Government in 1950 in circumstances much better than those of 1945.

Advantages

He has these six advantages: 1. The dim pattern of post-war international relationships has started to clear. Western Union—a pipe-dream in 1945—is taking shape; already its existence as a Third Force is blunting the edge of Russo-American hostility. 2. The Four-Year Plan is halfway through its course, and the objective of economic self-reliance by 1952 is clearly being reached. 3. The results of planned capital development in the colonial territories, so long neglected by flag-waving jingos, are starting to come in and to benefit our economy and standard of living.

4. The twin troubles of the nationalised fuel-and-power and transport industries are over, and those basic services are making their full contribution to production, which has gone on breaking records ever since 1948. 5. We have passed the tightest period of shortages. Economic life is becoming fewer and simpler. Daily life is becoming fuller and richer.

6. The Health and National Insurance Services have settled down and are making us a healthy and unworried people. The great programme of educational expansion, started in 1947 and accelerated in 1949, is in full swing.

Taxation

That's a fine starting-point from which to advance. First we must take some further steps to make the good things of life available to all our people instead of only a few. Here we shall take action in these six ways:

1. The gap between the richest and poorest of our people, already drastically narrowed since 1945, must be narrowed still further. By 1950 we shall be ready for a return to greater emphasis on direct taxation. Cost-of-living subsidies will go on being used to distribute equally to everybody money which has been collected in proportion to each man's ability to pay. Taxation concerns will go to earned incomes and not to unearned. Business profits distributed in dividends will go on paying more tax than those ploughed back into new equipment.

The competitive sector of British industry must be made genuinely competitive and more efficient. Publicly owned installations, factories, plant, and stocks can be let to new entrepreneurs who are now kept out of their industries by protective rings. Combining economic planning with a fuller democracy, Britain, not for the first time in her history, can give the world a lead.

2. We shall work towards the full implementation of the 1944 Education Act. As building materials get easier we can have a sum-clearance of sub-standard school buildings and a progressive reduction of classes to a maximum of 30. 3. We can build 200,000 new houses a year, and at the same time, in some parts of the country, free labour and materials for a programme of reconditioning existing houses which are structurally sound but lacking in comfort. 4. We can start to get the full benefits of the National Health Service by laying down the first batch of health centres, as well as new hospitals and maternity hospitals.

By IAN MIKARDO, M.P.

5. The National Insurance Act provides for a review of its working before July 1953, particularly for the purpose of deciding how far the existing benefits have been adequate.

This review is bound to lead to some changes and improvements: for instance, family allowances may be increased in amount and extended to include the first child. 6. The local authorities have been given additional powers since 1945, and they will be encouraged to provide for their citizens still further cultural services and amenities, such as theatres, cinemas, and community centres. The tasks of the home can be lightened by the development of district heating schemes, and of more efficient (and hence less dirty and troublesome) heating appliances.

More nursery schools and the extension of home-help schemes and delivered-meal services will free more young women to serve the community and to lead fuller and richer lives.

Payment

How is all this going to be paid for? Answer: The same way that it's always been paid for—that is, out of the skill and effort of the nation's managers and workers.

Public enterprise must go on stepping in where private ownership has failed to safeguard the nation's interests. The chronic situation of our water supplies demands that water shall be treated in the same way as gas and electricity. The waste of men and money in the insurance business can be corrected only by nationalisation.

The strategic importance of siting and of the manufacture of aircraft and aero-engines demands their transfer to public ownership.

Following the Census of Distribution, we shall take action to remove some of the waste of manpower and money in useless mid-men activities.

In particular, State wholesaling of food will be extended to home-grown vegetables, so that a housewife doesn't buy a cabbage at ten or 20 times what the grower gets.

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SINCERITY OF OFFER DOUBTED IN LONDON

London, February 4.
Generalissimo Stalin's reported willingness to meet President Truman and the British and French Prime Ministers would meet with serious consideration by the Western Powers if conveyed through diplomatic channels, it is believed in political quarters in London.

Scandinavia To Make New Approach

Washington, February 4.
It was expected today that the Scandinavian Ambassadors, Mr. Morgenstjerne, Mr. Kauffmann and Mr. Boheman, would see the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, on Monday if Mr. Acheson's programme permitted.

Informed sources said the consequences should be of great importance to test whether United States policy remains adamant regarding arms aid only to nations associated with the Atlantic pact.

Scandinavian diplomats have told the United Press that Mr. Kauffmann and Mr. Boheman are expected to make virtually the same statements to Mr. Acheson, namely, the deep disappointment of their Governments that the Scandinavian pact was abortive and that this failure did not serve the cause of peace. However, Scandinavian diplomats infer that Mr. Kauffmann and Mr. Boheman may urge that the proposed Scandinavian pact should not be considered entirely dead.

Although Mr. Morgenstjerne does not return until Sunday, Norwegian Embassy has asked the State Department for an appointment for him.

Informed quarters said they expected Mr. Morgenstjerne would be the only Ambassador of the three to indicate to Mr. Acheson that his country openly considers adherence to the Atlantic pact would be the best defence for its own good, as well as for Western Europe.—United Press.

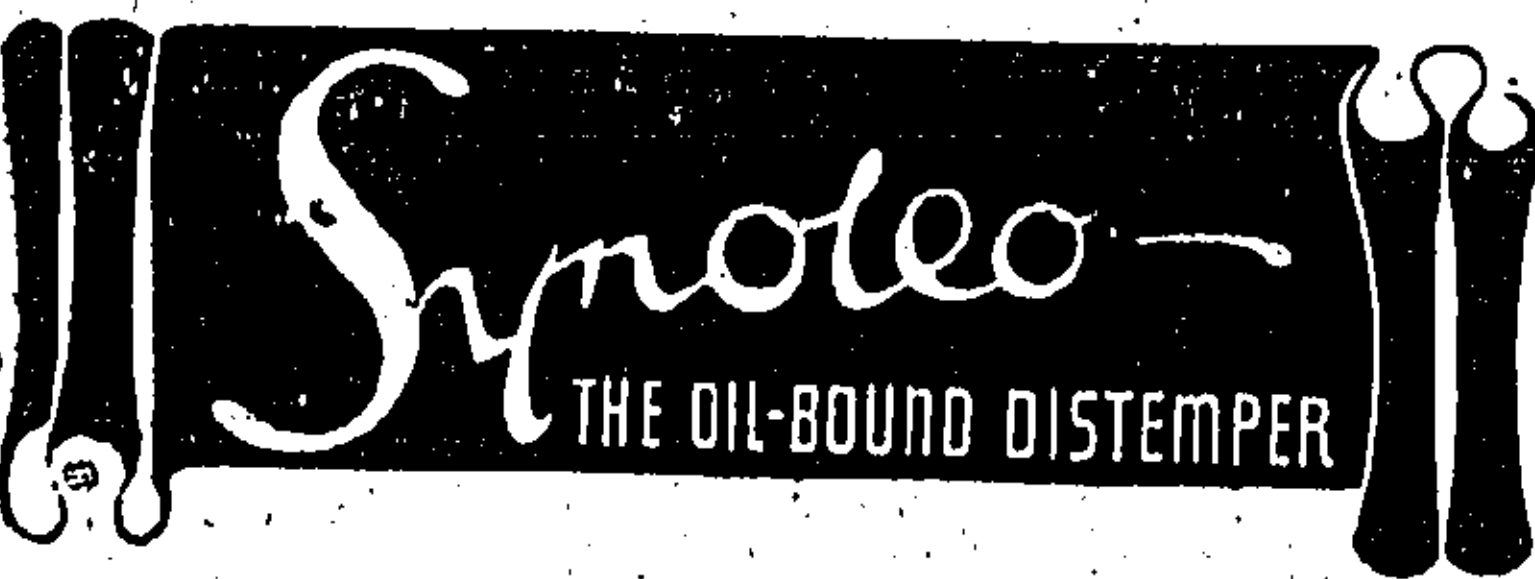
Australia Feels Loss

Sydney, February 5.
Australians expressed regret on Friday that they soon will lose American Ambassador Mr. Myron Melvin Cowen and his wife.

Although there has been no official announcement from Washington, reports from the American capital have said the envoy will go to the Philippines as U.S. Ambassador.

Australia was Cowen's first diplomatic assignment. But in the six months he has served here, he has made a name for himself among Australian leaders. He has become well known in most cities and many towns.

The fifty-year-old diplomat served as Chief American delegate at the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East which met near Sydney last year.—Associated Press.



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But serious doubts were felt here about the sincerity of any offer made through public channels, which could therefore be exploited for maximum propaganda effect rather than for purposes of a genuine attempt at a settlement between Russia and the West.

If, however, the proposal for a four-power meeting at a higher level than a Council of Foreign Ministers were seriously advanced by Generalissimo Stalin, the question confronting the Western Powers would be whether or not any such meeting could take place in advance of the lifting of the Berlin blockade.

Strong Opposition

Any Soviet attempt to link the holding of a Big Four meeting with a Western pledge to postpone formation of the West German Government would undoubtedly meet with strong opposition from the Western Powers.

In the current negotiations on the Berlin currency question between the four Governments and the Security Council "Neutrals Committee" in Geneva, opinion seems to be hardening on the Western side that the re-establishment of

CEYLON'S SPLENDID PROGRESS

London, February 3.
In a broadcast to the people of Ceylon on the occasion of the island's first independence anniversary, the Right Honourable Philip Noel Baker, Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, said yesterday:

"Few nations have had such notable success, such real achievement in the first year of their independence."

"Your Parliament has shown already the great inherent strength of representative Democratic institutions. Your administration has amply proved that the Parliamentary system is the best of guarantees, not only of justice for the people, but of economy and efficiency as well."

"Your government has played their admirable part in the international problem on which the happiness of every nation depends."

"In the Commonwealth we have felt your influence and known the benefit of your co-operation almost every day. The hopes of years gone by have become the realities of today. Ceylon stands as a link between the continents of the East and of the West."

"With each year that passes her friendship and her co-operation will mean more to us, to the Commonwealth and to mankind."—Associated Press.

The Man In The Tower

London, February 4.
Richard Arthur Elliott was sentenced today after a court martial found him guilty of deserting the Royal Army Service Corps from October, 1940, until he was apprehended at Antwerp last October.

Elliott, who became known as "The Man in the Tower" because he was detained in the Tower of London, pleaded not guilty. The finding and sentence are subject to confirmation.—Reuter.

STRICTER TERMS FOR SETTLEMENT

Washington, February 5.

The United States was reported yesterday to have laid down new and stricter terms for settlement of the dispute with Soviet Russia over Berlin currency.

Diplomatic informants said the terms are contained in an American proposal submitted to a United Nations group of experts.

They provide for continued circulation of Western marks in the Western sector of the city pending outcome of efforts to

restore four Power rule. Soviet marks would continue to circulate as now in the Russian sector under the projected standstill agreement.

Before the Moscow negotiations for a Berlin settlement broke down five months ago, the United States, Britain and France had stated they were willing to permit the temporary circulation of Soviet currency throughout the city.

The arrangement then under discussion, as outlined in a subsequent American official white paper, called for four power control of the currency and of credit.

Russians Conditions
The whole effort broke down in September because of the conditions put forward by the Russian Military Commander in Berlin.

Diplomatic authorities said the new American terms were submitted last month to the UN Committee meeting at Geneva. This group, composed of representatives of six UN Security Council members not directly concerned in the Berlin dispute, earlier had proposed new negotiations along the lines of those of last Fall.

Officials indicated that Britain and France were in "general agreement with the United States as to willingness to try to find a solution, but that the U.S. attitude was firmer than that of the other Western powers."—Associated Press.

He added that conversations would undoubtedly take place about the island's future between the Clunies-Ross family, its British owners, and the British Government.

He said: "But so far as I know there is no plan as yet involving its sale." Cocos Island, one of the Keeling group, has been ruled by the Clunies-Ross family since 1866. It should not be confused with the Cocos Island in the Pacific which is famed for its reputed hidden treasure.

Sir Henry Newland denied he had said on his arrival at Darwin, North Australia, that negotiations were now going on for the island's purchase by the British Government.—Reuter.

Members said this would probably mean that exports of lard, most fats and oils, wheat and other grains would be de-controlled.

The Committee's Chairman, Senator Burnet Maybank, South Carolina, said national defence and Marshall Plan needs must be met before there was any general decontrol of exports of farm products.—Reuter.

Only 46 per cent of British households have bathrooms, a Board of Trade survey disclosed today.

Thirty-one per cent have portable bathtubs, eight per cent share bathrooms with other families, three per cent have a bathtub in the kitchen.

Twelve per cent of the households studied in the cross-section survey had no baths whatsoever.—Associated Press.

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BRITAIN AND U.S. INTENSIFY BLOCKADE

Berlin, February 4.

Britain and the United States announced today that all goods traffic between the Western and Soviet Zones of Germany would be halted from midnight on Sunday.

An official statement said transit traffic from neighbouring European countries would be affected by the ban. Passenger vehicles carrying only personal luggage will be exempted.

The Berlin representatives of Germany's Western neighbours—Belgium, The Netherlands, Luxembourg, France, Denmark and Switzerland—have been informed of the ban.

Counter Measures
The official announcement said the measures were being taken in consequence of the restrictions on traffic through the Soviet Zone of occupation.

The chief effects of the transport restrictions will be to stop leakages in the counter-blockade.

They will prevent road transport from Western Europe designed for the countries to the East of Germany from passing through the Soviet Zone.

Goods traffic between Western Europe and the Soviet Zone itself is already officially forbidden by the counter-blockade, but it has been easy for lorries, ostensibly driving to Poland or Czechoslovakia, to drop off goods in the Soviet Zone, thus partly circumventing the counter-blockade.

Train transport between the rest of Europe (the countries to the East) will, it is understood, still be permitted.

Only By Airlift

Under the ban, no Western material can pierce the blockade unless it goes through the Allied airlift. Supplies totalling 6,640 tons were flown in on Friday—fourth highest tonnage since the airlift began June 28.

Meanwhile, commenting on the projected West German Federal State, an American military government official said it can not be set up before July 1 at the earliest—two months after the original target date.

The delay in creating the Western states does not represent any concession to Prime Minister Stalin's demand that the Western Allies postpone or scrap plans for a separate Western Government in order to get the Berlin blockade lifted.

Disagreements among Britain, France and the U.S. have prevented completion of an occupation statute for the three Western zones.—Reuter and Associated Press.

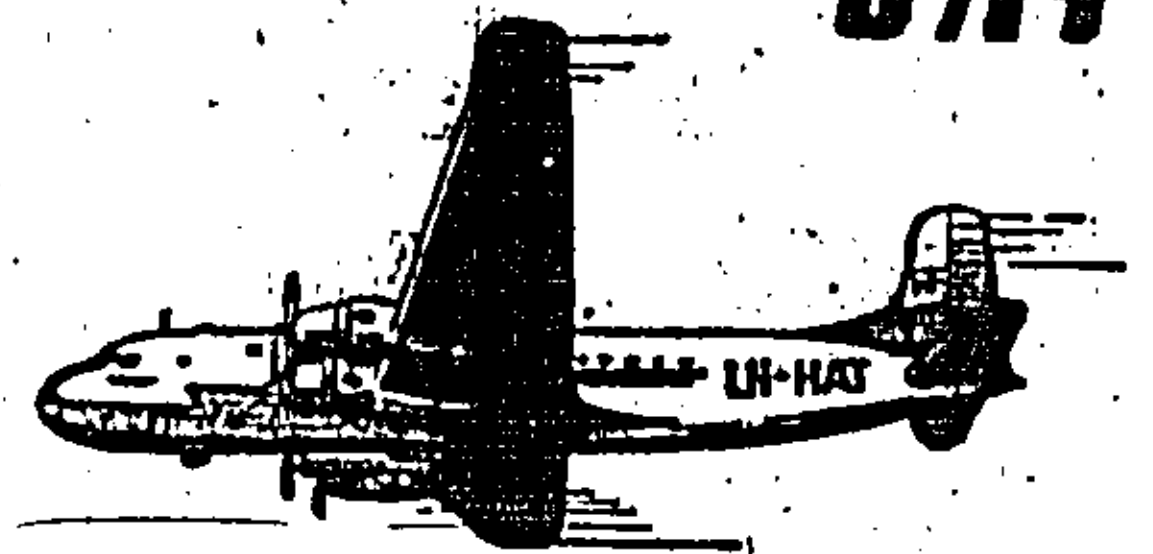
URGES WAR ON COMMUNISM

New York, February 5.

A powerful economic development corporation backed by Government funds and private capital to combat Communism was urged on Friday by Eric Johnston, President of the Motion Picture Association of America.

The corporation's job would be to finance "real economic rehabilitation abroad," said Mr. Johnston who recently returned from a visit to Europe and Russia.—Associated Press.

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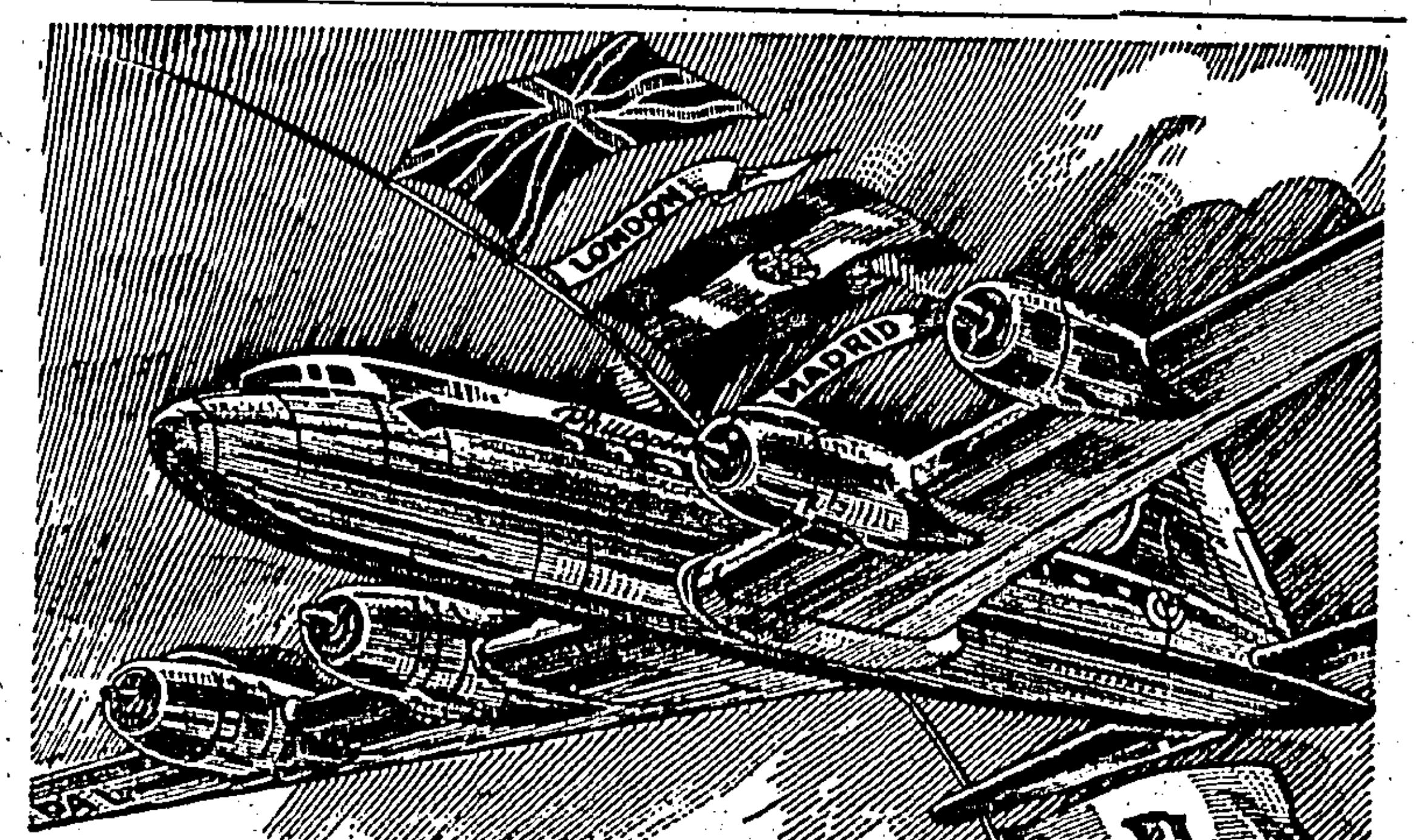
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Pity the British who are starving, bankrupt, homeless, and homeless, says the Soviet Press today. Russian newspapers have just increased their highly specialised service of news from Britain (no doubt to convince their readers that things are not so bad in Russia by comparison).

And it really breaks your heart, this picture of Britain seen through Red spectacles. Here, for instance, is the correspondent of Komsomol Pravda taking a walk down Oxford-street, London, "a street of lights and shop windows filled with luxury goods."

Outside one shop he finds "a poor little boy of 12 holding a doll in his hands and crying in a broken voice: 'Only sixpence—she can laugh or cry—only sixpence!'"

unfulfilled promises of the Labour Government over housing."

But the three-page picture he paints of actual conditions is highly coloured.

He declares that "many people in Britain 'are sleeping in the ruins of bombed-out houses,' that Glasgow's Gorbals is 'one great slum-house,' and that the people who live in the Thames houses boats around Chiswick 'are subjected to deplorable conditions' from the waves of the ships which pass by."

Komsomol Pravda features a letter from Comrade Kotik, first officer of the steamer Romsia, who visited our shores and didn't like it. He says: "In London I found nothing but crowds of unemployed seeking their daily bread."

Three Britons, one living and two dead, are in trouble. Sir John Anderson, who broadcast about the atom in one of the B.B.C.'s Russian programmes, is described by New Times as "a diehard and self-confessed atomic aggressor."

Rudyard Kipling is viewed by Komsomol Pravda (in an attack on the British colonial system) as "an arch-reactionary who tried to camouflage the crimes of the British imperialists with pathetic tales of little elephant boys."

And long-forgotten romantic novelist Samuel Crockett, some of whose pre-1914 books have been circulated to English classes in Soviet schools, is attacked by Komsomol Pravda for actually "giving the impression that life in Britain is extremely agreeable, instead of a hell for the exploited masses."

A special complaint is that the hero of one of the books ends by marrying and buying a farm, and the paper asks: "How can one have sympathy for a hero with such bourgeois ambitions?"

'Starvation'

The kindly Soviet reporter spoke to the boy, found his mother had died of starvation and that selling dolls was his only way to live.

Adia, the writer: "There are thousands like this boy. Out of every 1,000 children in Britain 800 have no chance of going to school."

"There is such a shortage of buildings for schools that many classes have to be held in churches. In the majority of schools in the suburbs and smaller towns there is no glass in the windows and no benches to sit on."

"One can find no happiness today among British children, except according to the reports of the Press and the B.B.C."

'Bitterness'

Correspondent V. Nikitin, of New Times, says one thing which some people may agree with: "There is a growing bitterness and disillusionment in Britain on the



New ERP Legislation

Washington, February 5. The Truman administration sent to the U.S. Congress on Friday a bill to continue the European Recovery Programme for another year. A congressman who saw the draft said it omits help for China, Greece and Turkey which were included in the foreign aid law passed last year.

The bill does not stipulate the amount of aid to be asked for the 12 months beginning July 1. Representative Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said the figure would be supplied later.

Mr. Bloom said his committee and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee will open joint hearings on the measure next Tuesday with the Secretary of State, Dean Acheson and Mr. Paul Hoffman, administrator of the Economic Co-operation Administration, as witnesses.—Associated Press.

Church Merger Proposal

Cleveland, February 4. The Commission of the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches has urged approval of a proposed merger with the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

The Commission on Inter-Church Relations and Christian Unity made the recommendation and nearly 1,000 delegates from all parts of the United States convened here to debate it.

Proponents and opponents of the merger will be allowed equal periods of time to present their arguments.—United Press.

BRITISH NAVAL EXERCISES

Gibraltar, February 4. Four ships of the Home Fleet arrived here today from Britain on their spring cruise under the command of Admiral Sir Rodrick McGregor in the battleship Duke of York.

The ships are to take part next month in manoeuvres with the Mediterranean Fleet.—Reuter.



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Happy Adventurers Arrive In The Land Of Plenty

By G. Ward Price

Where else in the world could you see such boisterous, hysterical happiness? The quay at Sydney, New South Wales, was packed with relatives and friends of the 1,400 emigrants brought out by the Asturias from Britain. They were waving sheets, brandishing placards, flourishing flags.

The water sparkled in the Australian sunshine as if the sea itself were quivering with joy when we got within shouting distance the uproar drowned the strident bagpipes and whirling rattles.

Close-packed along every rail, the passengers of the Asturias were searching for faces on which some of them years.

In the crowd ashore the "nominators," who had promised to find accommodation for these new arrivals who had no relatives to receive them, were holding up cards or streamers bearing their names to identify themselves, and directly the gangways were down the whole excited crowd stormed on board the ship—for to many the day brought long-awaited reunion with their families.

Fine Reception

The same scene took place alike on the flat shores of Port Phillip at Melbourne and in the magnificent setting of Sydney Harbour. The enthusiastic reception of these British emigrants was a memorable ending to a happy and comfortable voyage.

It was with a sigh of relief that Captain Carr, Chief Officer Bolland, and Purser Plampin saw the last of them over the side. Their duties as genial hosts of the floating holiday-camp were over. To take their great ship back empty across the Indian Ocean will be for them a well-earned rest.

Five pounds was the most that any of them had paid towards the cost of their journey, yet they had as much care and attention as if they were wealthy passengers on a pleasure cruise.

Nor does this generous treatment end with the voyage. When we reached Australian waters immigration officers joined the ship to arrange for accommodation for them till they reach their various destinations ashore.

"You will have no difficulty at all in finding work," they told them. "The biggest problem you will face is getting a place to live in. Your relatives or 'nominators' have undertaken to provide temporary quarters for you and your families, but a home of your own is something you must procure for yourselves."

Plenty Of Jobs

Plenty of jobs; no houses. A glance at the Sydney Morning Herald (34 full pages; no newsprint restrictions) shows 53 columns of small ads. offering situations in business or industry. The most inexperienced or incompetent can have their pick of posts at £6 to £8 a week.

But advertisements of houses for sale or to let are few and far between. The prices asked are higher than round London—£3,000 to £5,000 for a three-bedroom house; £5 a week for a single-room flatlet, furnished.

The first troubles of newly arrived immigrants usually arise from sharing homes with the relatives or friends who have promised to receive them. "Two women and a gas-stove never agree," say the immigration authorities sadly. But these trials lie still ahead of my fellow-travellers in the Asturias. Whatever the future

The only drawback we could see to the city is its isolation between a desert on one side and the Indian Ocean on the other. Thick steaks with two fried eggs on top, served in the restaurants for 2s. a portion—which is only a first introduction to the plenty of Australia.

Bananas were 20 for a shilling, oranges three-halfpence each. The shops seemed abundantly stocked with goods. "No more queuing; no more shortages," murmured housewives who for so long had had to face the daily ordeal of shopping.

Melbourne we found dignified, peaceful, and surprisingly English, except for the domestic architecture of its residential districts. The suburbs, whose "low iron-balconied houses give it something of a prairie-town look."

A Busy City

The surroundings of the city are rolling, tree-studded downs that might have been imported straight from Surrey, but there was a touch of the great open spaces in the sight of so many young people riding along the roads on horseback.

After these two cities, the Transatlantic atmosphere of Sydney gave the impression of having reached another continent altogether—that of North America.

Everyone on board the Asturias was on deck for the unforgettable experience of coming through "The Heads" at dawn and seeing Sydney Harbour, with its wooded promontories and shyly retiring bays, opening ahead like an inland sea.

The city itself, when we had time to explore its jostling, hustling, noisy centre, amazed us. Pavements as crowded as London's Oxford-street; traffic-jams as bad as in the Strand; office-buildings soaring 20 storeys.

Shops thronged with women talking in a high-pitched, whining tone, difficult at first to understand. Iron-crested streets with endless vistas of shop-signs across the pavement above one's head—how was it possible for all this intense urban development and density of population to exist in a continent whose average population is just over two to the square mile?

Like A Treat

The scene was more like a Sunday school treat than an immigration depot. Even those who, on board the ship, had grumbled at trivialities agreed that everything possible was done for them. The Customs examination proved to be no more than a "What's in this? That all? Good-oh!"—and some squiggles of chalk. The friendly, off-hand, easy-going character of the country made itself felt from the start.

So that, although it is too early to judge how these new citizens of Australia will like their new surroundings, their first impressions have been favourable.

We had half a day in Perth, the capital of Western Australia, and a night and morning at Melbourne before reaching our journey's end at Sydney. Perth was especially pleased us, but few of our company had chosen Western Australia as their place of settlement, for that State does not offer the prospects of industrial employment for which most of these mainly town-bred people from Britain were looking.

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BRITAIN'S RED SCIENTISTS

Not So Many; Not So Important By Lord Cherwell

Formerly Professor F. A. Lindemann, who during the war was scientific adviser to Mr. Churchill

Many scientists regret, and indeed resent, the prevailing impression that they and their colleagues are predominantly "Red." To what extent is this offensive imputation justified? And, if it is not justified, why is it so widely believed?

It is probably true that the 19th-century tendency to some extent still persists which caused scientists in reaction against clerical pretensions, to join the Liberal and Radical Parties.

But no one today would stigmatise a man as "Red" merely because he was a Liberal or a Radical, or, indeed, just a supporter of the present Government.

This term of opprobrium—for the vast majority of Englishmen happily still consider it such—is generally reserved for Communists and for the so-called Fellow Travellers, i.e., persons with all the instincts and intentions of Communists who prefer to keep a foot in both camps until they see which is the winning side.

Unfortunately it is in this obnoxious sense that scientists at home—and for that matter, abroad—are nowadays so often described as "Red," and there is no doubt that it is for this reason that they are unhappily gaining a somewhat unsavoury reputation in patriotic circles.

Reason Clear

In a question like this it is, of course, quite impossible to be certain of the facts, but I am honestly of the opinion that this slur upon scientists as a whole is undeserved. Why is it, then, that the impression is so widely spread? I think the reason is clear.

The average scientist is much too busy working in his laboratory and getting on with his job to descend into the arena of politics. Only in rare circumstances is such a man dragged into the fray. Usually he prefers to leave these matters to professional politicians.

Communists and Fellow Travellers, on the other hand, for some reason seem to have unlimited time, abundant energy, and, above all, sufficient self-assurance to appear on any platform and to speak on any topic which gives them an opportunity to air their views and to propagate their doctrine. They will go anywhere at a moment's notice if there is a chance of advertising their ideas and themselves. They have an insatiable itch and unerring nose for publicity. When therefore you read of a "scientist" making political speeches it is generally a safe bet that he belongs to the small minority who actually are Communists or Fellow Travellers.

Many Speeches

Professor X or Y or Z, almost invariably with the caption "who took a leading part in developing the atomic bomb"—though, in fact, as long as the Coalition Government was in power scarcely one of them was allowed to know anything about this project—makes a series of passionate speeches of Communist character.

People read the name Professor X or Y or Z "who took a leading part in developing the atomic bomb" again and again in the newspapers, and quite excusably, having no other means of assessing scientific values and reputations, form the view that he must be one of our leading men; can we be surprised if they argue: Professors X, Y and Z are leading scientists, they are Communists, therefore scientists are Communists?

Nobody hears about Professors A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, who are certainly more numerous and usually more distinguished than their colleagues X, Y, Z. They seldom make public speeches on topics of general interest, and when they do their speeches are usually not news. It is the ones who make violent speeches at home or who

travel behind the Iron Curtain and elsewhere to abuse their country's institutions abroad who make the headlines.

It may well be asked how it comes that such vociferous individuals are to be found in our ranks. There is a variety of reasons.

Scientists, notably in this country, have long been treated as specialists who have no right to an opinion on any subject except their own. This, of course, is utterly unjustified; on the whole, their opinion on general topics is no worse than that of the next man.

But in some of the weaker characters this treatment has produced a type of inferiority complex which, by a well-known form of over-compensation, engenders a ludicrous arrogance which most of us deplore.

The problems of the universe, they insist, could be solved in a few years by scientific methods; all our difficulties would vanish if only the scientists were in charge, and so on and so forth. Several of our colleagues are notorious for this line of talk.

Are Favoured

No doubt they are perfectly honest in their beliefs—like many other cranks. And, fortunately, only a proportion of them are Communists or Fellow Travellers. In any event they form only a minute fraction of the whole body and really are not a fair sample of the ordinary decent men of science who have brought so much distinction to our country.

There is another factor which cannot be left altogether out of account. In Russia scientists are favoured and made much of; they get large salaries and great numbers of ration cards; dwellings and motor-cars are put at their disposal; they enjoy every sort of privilege so long as they are prepared to sacrifice their scientific independence.

Consciously or subconsciously, such facts tend to affect a man's outlook. A society which treats scientists with such extraordinary distinction, some of our colleagues feel, has given evidence of great perspicacity and judgment. What a good thing, they think, if this were the attitude in England. How nice to enjoy not only the material advantages but the prestige and power which they would undoubtedly be granted in a Communist State.

It would be invidious to pursue this aspect any further. Even among the minority who actually follow the Communist Party, I think only a very few scientists are impelled mainly by the desire to dominate and control their fellows, as they would be able to do if that party were in power.

But these few are active and influential. And when they are appointed to Government committees, which allocate funds to laboratories, for of their professional colleagues, who nowadays depend so greatly on Treasury finance, care to cross swords with them. Better they think, to get on with their work and leave politics to the politicians.

Apart from the active exceptions, there are, of course, some harmless well-meaning members of my profession who have been more mildly in-

fectured with the Red virus. It may seem strange that anybody whose scientific training should at least have taught him to think logically, and to weigh evidence, can be taken in by the half-baked nonsense that pervades Communist propaganda.

The reason, I think, is that some scientists are singularly out of touch with the world. In the laboratory a colleague's statement of fact is taken on trust; they are apt to apply the same standards to their political associates.

Easy Prey

Thus, these kind-hearted, well-intentioned individuals, happy in their job and wishing everybody else to be equally happy, often fall an easy prey to the superficial, crude propaganda that is dished out to them.

They have no conception of the difficulties of organising and administering a large concern, let alone an industry or a country, or of the appalling task it is to persuade people to do what is right even when it is quite clear what ought to be done.

And if we know what would yield the greatest material benefit the factors which cannot be weighed and measured remain. Rightly or wrongly, nobody worries about the effect on a frog's soul of inducing premature metamorphosis by feeding the tadpole with iodine.

But in dealing with human beings we have to balance against the pro-

posed material rewards the risk to many spiritual values which the mere fact of compelling people to toe the line involves.

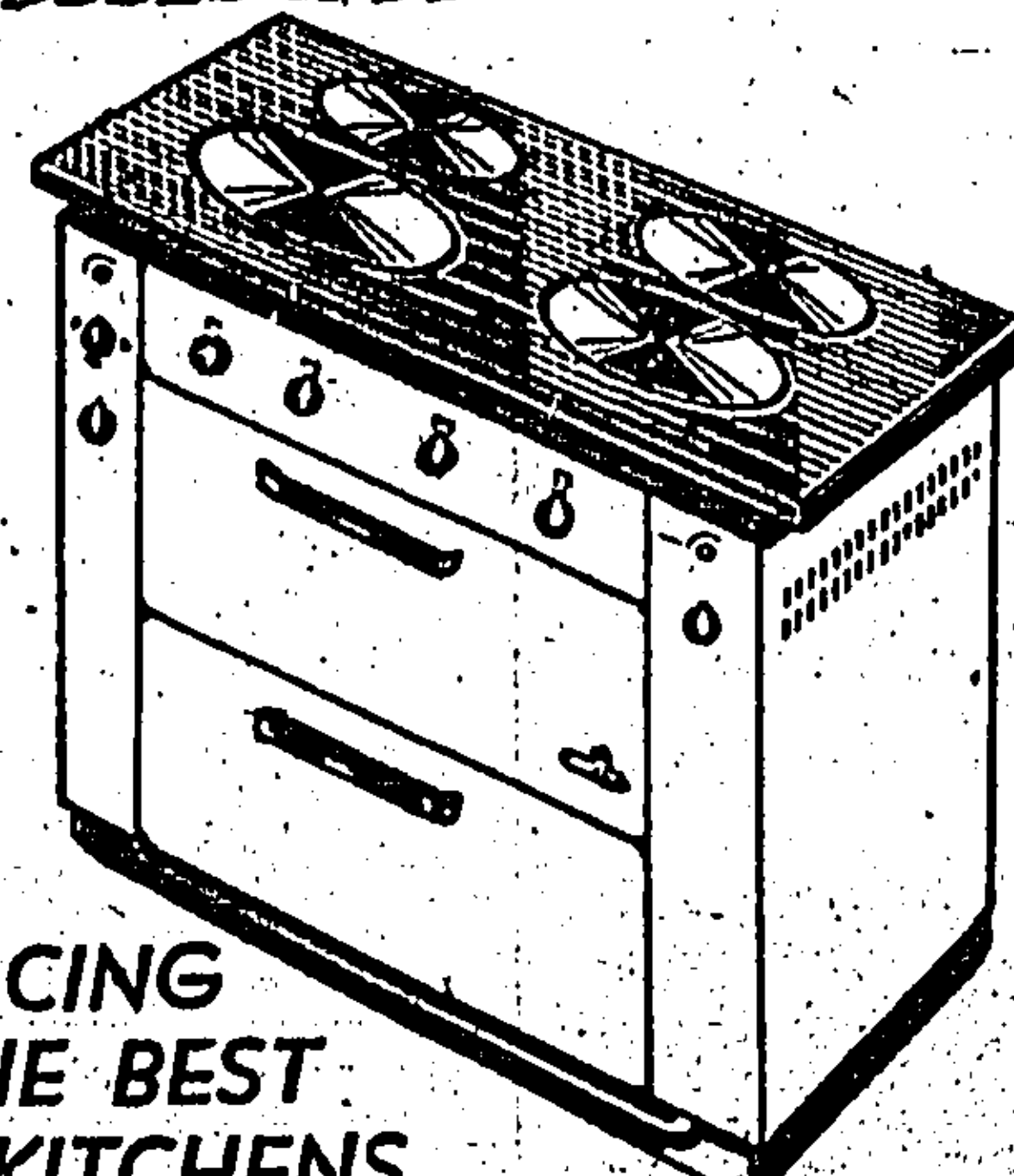
Scientists used to dealing with frogs and guinea-pigs are perhaps naturally rather more prone than others to forget or overlook the detestable spiritual consequences of a dictatorial totalitarian regime in their enthusiasm for its wrongly vaunted material advantages.

To sum up: While a small minority of warm-hearted, other-worldly individuals may have been taken in by the superficial attractions of the egalitarian creed, I do not believe they form a greater proportion of the whole body of scientists than of any other class of our population.

Don't Make News

The general impression that the majority are Red—we owe to the activities of a minute fraction, who, as a result of an inferiority complex or perhaps even out of personal ambition, have adhered to the Communist faith and preach it in and out of season. Their incessant tirades, just because of their sound and fury, are news and are everywhere reported. Thus their names become household words and their scientific importance is exaggerated.

The vast majority of scientists, busy in their laboratories, have neither the time nor the inclination to parade their views on political matters. If, once in a while, they do appear on a platform, they make sensible speeches and are thus not news. Hence the man in the street scarcely knows their names still less their political opinions. If he did I am sure he would discover that the great bulk of them are reasonable, level-headed people, who resent as much as I do the reputation, wrongly fastened on them, of being "Red."



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Talking about Films

BRIEF ENCOUNTER

By Fred Majdalany

Whatever else may be said about "The Paradine Case," Alfred Hitchcock's clinical study of an English murder case from arrest to verdict, it is well charged with the smell of cigar smoke, the plip-plip of high heels, and gala nights in Gray's Inn.

It is as if old mother Justice, exchanging her traditional scales for a champagne glass, is out to show what an exotic business the Law can be.

The film is not concerned merely with finding out whether or not Mrs. Paradine poisoned her husband. It treats the parties concerned much as a theatrical troupe, and invites you to study their character and behaviour in and out of court during the run of the "play."

The chief members of the troupe are the following:

Mrs. Paradine (Italian star, Valli), a foreign adventuress with an old-fashioned "past" and a recently deceased husband whom she is accused of doing in.

Anthony Keane, K.C. (Gregory Peck), a spectacular "silk" who takes on her defence and, after his first visit to her in Holloway Gaol, falls in love with her, prison smock and all.

Mrs. Keane (Ann Todd), for whom her husband's infatuation with his client is the first cloud on a hitherto happy marriage.

A nasty judge (Charles Laughton) who enjoys (a) hanging people; (b) stroking girls' knees; and (c) crushing learned counsel when they get emotional in court.

A handsome French valet who is the chief witness.

It takes some time to get these characters into court. Once we are there the film settles down to an elaborate treatment of an Old Bailey trial.

The final solution is well concealed, though some of the steps to it are, if anything, a little too well concealed for brains less agile than those of Sir Hartley Shawcross.

The acting is good, the talk is good, the production has a Grade 1 polish to it, and there are even flashes of wit—not commonly encountered in films.

Despite all this the picture is a disappointment. First, I think, because the limitations of the setting have cramped the director. (You don't expect to find Mr. Hitchcock having recourse to wind-machines and deserted houses to get suspense). But mainly because it is too much of a melodramatic good thing.

For all I know, eminent "silks" may well be perpetually falling for their more satin clients, and Holloway may be aglow with canoodling counsel. In the cold light of a cinema screen it seems a little excessive.

After all, when you have on trial for murder a lady who looks like something between a Botticelli Madonna and Miss Hedy Lamarr you have surely reached the peak of melodrama.

The embellishments merely underline the fact that this is only a mock trial after all.

"Marriage in the Shadow," a now German film, traces the fortunes of a married couple (one of whom is Jewish) in Berlin between 1933 and 1943.

The trouble, from a non-German point of view, seems to be that Dr. Goebbels made one so familiar with the elements of this story that there seems literally nothing more to be said about it. It was horrible. It happened. We know every detail of it.

We know the characters. We know the background. We know every step the story will take. It takes them all. It takes them rather ponderously.

As a public penance the picture may have some usefulness in Germany. It might be shown throughout that country

every year on Battle of Britain Sunday. It is sensitively acted by Paul Klinger and Ilse Steppat.

"The Luck of the Irish" is the kind of title that the seasoned filmgoer faces like a firing squad. Nothing brings out the worst in Hollywood so much as its excursions into Irishness.

I am happy to report, therefore, that though I am no professional leprechaun-lover, I found this story of a leprechaun in Manhattan quite good fun.

This is largely due to Cecil Kellaway, who plays the little man, and at times reminds one momentarily of George Robey and at other times of the French actor Raimu.

The leprechaun turns up as manservant to Tyrone Power in New York—drinks most of his whisky, straightens out his professional values. He also hands him Anne Baxter on a plate. No man could ask more of any leprechaun.

More could have been made of the idea, but it could be a lot worse than it is. And, to the director's everlasting credit, the only time any person sings "Rose of Tralee" a free fight rapidly breaks out.

There is also some laughter to be extracted from "The Mad Mr. Jones," a nice simple slapstick comedy (for strictly Light Programme audiences) featuring Red Skelton.

Mr. Skelton is the kind of comedian who is unheard of in London, but is apt to win popularly competitions everywhere else.

The climax of this film—a chase in a warehouse—is in the finest chase and pie-throwing tradition.

I have a theory that when the heroes of Nigel Balchin's novels are about 15 a girl dares them to dive off a high board and they are afraid to do so.

By the time they are old enough to be a character in one of Mr. Balchin's books they have become bad-tempered neurotics who bully their women, torment themselves, and can only achieve a measure of salvation by carrying out a feat of extreme daring.

They need, it seems, not a deus ex machina so much as a machina ex deo to help them out.

In "Mine Own Executioner" the man climbed a dizzily swaying fire-ladder. In "The Small Back Room," the chief character (a young war-time scientist whose neurosis is largely due to his being kept out of uniform by an artificial foot) comes to terms with himself, the world and his girl by dismantling an unknown type of booby-trap dropped by the Luftwaffe.

It isn't, however, the leading character who makes this an outstanding film, but pretty well everything else—its absorbing story, the fascinating minor characters, the blend of satire and drama, the exciting climax, and, above all, the directing touches of Michael Powell, which give nearly every scene a special lift.

David Farrar almost succeeds in making the scientist interesting—though his big scenes rely too much on simple violence.

Kathleen Byron (neglected since her promising debut in "Black Narcissus") overcomes a thankless part enough to make us want to see more of her.

But the acting one remembers most is that of four distinguished players of small parts—Leslie Banks, Anthony Bushell, Cyril Cusack, and Robert Morley—who, in a few short scenes, brilliantly manage to create four complete human beings.

This is one of the best films the Powell-Pressburger team have made, and a certainty in due course for a list of the year's best ten.

Buried alive in "Whispering City" are: (a) a reasonably fair story about



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a girl crime reporter who solves a 20-year-old murder; (b) a background, the city of Quebec, that is different; (c) a film concerto that is at least as good as the Warsaw one.

Buried, but not alive, are: (a) a directing hand that seems willfully to have deprived every scene of suspense, surprise or tension; (b) a number of performers so inanimate that I have to consult a programme to discover that their names were Paul Lukas, Mary Anderson, and Helmut Dantine.

By an improbable accident of fortune I happen to know the labour potential of mules, and the impossible places in which they can do their work with an air of apparent contentment.

I was therefore a good deal less overwhelmed than the characters in "Silver City" by the magnitude and hazard of the journey the mules have to make down a mountain road to give this picture its big scene.

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Health Page

The Common Cold

By Trevor Williams

It is sometimes said rather bitterly that with careful medical treatment one can be cured of a cold in a week whereas if nature is left to take its course it disappears in seven days.

Unhappily this is virtually true and until recently the cold has remained almost unchallenged as the world's commonest ailment and one which every year causes tens of millions of working hours to be lost. During the past two and a half years, however, an intensive study of the problem has been made in Britain at Harvard Hospital, Salisbury. Although no spectacular cold cure has been announced this special unit, set up by the Medical Research Council and the Ministry of Health, has just been able to report real progress and the clearing up of a number of

important points which have so far been very doubtful.

The greatest difficulty in studying the common cold has always been that no known animals—except chimpanzees—are susceptible to it, while the ailment itself is not serious enough to bring sufferers to hospitals or clinics where they can be carefully studied. Consequently laboratory work is extremely difficult. At Salisbury for the first time it has been possible to bring together really large numbers of human volunteers for detailed research. In the two and a half years of its existence nearly 1,000 volunteers have visited the clinic for 10-day periods. During their stay elaborate precautions are taken to see that they run no risk of accidental infection from the staff or from fellow volunteers so that the results of the experiments made can be quite clearly understood. While relying on their human volunteers, research workers have themselves made repeated attempts to find some susceptible animals but quite without success. Hedgehogs, monkeys, ferrets, mice and many other animals all enjoy complete and genuine immunity from this human weakness.

A satisfactory method has been perfected for inducing colds in volunteers at will. It is done by transferring nasal washings from somebody in the throes of a cold to the nose of the volunteer. A high proportion of "takes" is recorded though wide differences in individual resistance have been discovered.

After Two Years

The virus present in nasal secretions appears in some ways to be extraordinarily resistant. Thus when stored in intense cold secretions retained their infective powers even after two years. On the other hand some popular writings—which the Salisbury workers have studied just as carefully as records in medical journals—seem to show that in a small community the cold virus die out in a few weeks unless fresh infection is brought in from the outside world. Thus the Spitzbergen community finds that colds almost disappear a fortnight after the last ship leaves in winter but there is an epidemic as soon as the first ship arrives in the spring.

In Tristan de Cunha, another very isolated community, the same kind of thing occurs though here an interesting fact is that ships which arrive after long voyages bring no colds presumably because the virus has died out en route. Ships from Capetown, 12 days away, bring colds but not those from Panama which make a long journey round Cape Horn.

An unsuccessful but none the less important series of attempts was made to cultivate the cold virus in incubating hens' eggs, but the four commonly used techniques which have succeeded with other viruses failed. The cold virus, which can for a few days reduce the strongest man to misery, was apparently unable to thrive in the delicate tissues of an unhatched chick.

Most people have their own ideas about the original cause of colds—the two main schools of thought being that which maintains that all colds are caught from other sufferers and that which believes that cold feet, draughts and so on are the culprit. Salisbury experiments suggest that both answers may be right. Almost everybody may harbour at some time or other the virus but a cold develops only when a draught or sudden chill temporarily lowers the body's resistance or when one receives a particularly heavy dose of infection by coming into close contact with a person whose nose blowing and sneezing is sowing a rich crop of infected droplets. The ubiquitous pocket handkerchief also seems to be a dangerous source of infection. Experiments with bacteria korchief can contribute enormous numbers of bacteria—and possibly viruses—equally easily become airborne. This

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Programme News

NEW SPORTS PROGRAMME:

Calling all sportsmen! A new radio programme for all interested in sport begins this week in the BBC's General Overseas Service on Sunday at 1.30 p.m. Sports Review will cover all the main week-end sports events both in Great Britain and overseas. Saturday's big games will be reported by a team of experts, and in addition well-known sports columnists will be on hand to discuss and analyse the latest topics of the moment. Leading players, managers and officials will be brought to the microphone to say what they think about their own particular game, and from time to time the programme will include recorded extracts of some of Saturday's main events.

THE WEEK'S SHORT STORY
This week's short story in the BBC's 'The Storyteller' series is 'Colla Bridge', a ghost story by Hal Jukes, who was formerly a BBC talks producer best-known for his programmes on country subjects. He began his career in the textile and engineering industries, writing occasionally for periodicals such as 'Blackwood's' and the 'Cornhill Magazine', but in 1935 he took up writing seriously. He was first heard on the radio in 1937, and after that broadcast regularly, eventually becoming a talks producer. Now he has retired, but he still broadcasts frequently, giving talks and reading his own short stories. (General Overseas: Wednesday, 10.00 a.m. and Friday, 5 p.m. and Eastern: Friday, 10.30 p.m.)

Sunday, February 6.

Eastern Service

- P.M.
10.30 THE REITH LECTURES (5)—A talk by Bertrand Russell.
General Overseas Service
A.M.
10.30 THINK ON THESE THINGS—Christian hymns, their music, and their meaning.
11.15 ORCHESTRA OF THE THEATRE ROYAL, DRURY LANE—Conductor: Reginald Burston.
P.M.
12.30 MUSIC FROM GRAND HOTEL—Palm Court Orchestra Directed by Tom Jenkins with Hervey Alan (baritone).
1.30 SPORTS REVIEW—A report on yesterday's main events.

B.B.C. Highlights

- 2.15 TIME FOR WORSHIP—from a London studio, conducted by the Rev. John Williams. Hymns sung by the BBC Singers.
2.45 FOOTBALL RESULTS.
3.15 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
4.00 THE NATURALIST 'Animal Camouflage'—Brian Vesey-Fitz-Gerald introduces C. D. Hale Carpenter and R. B. Freeman.
4.30 SUNDAY SERVICE—Edited version of the Service concerned with the relief of leprosy in the British Commonwealth and Empire held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London, on January 30, 1949.
6.15 'THREE'S COMPANY'—Josephine Baker, Schott and Cornell (gramophone records).
8.15 'TAKE IT FROM HERE'—with Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley, and Jimmy Edwards.
8.45 COLONIAL QUESTIONS—A summary of private questions on Colonial Affairs in Parliament.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 PHILIP GREEN—and his Concert Orchestra, with Dorothea Morrow and her Golden Voices, and Joseph McNally.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 'CONCERTO'—Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 5 in E flat (The Emperor), played by Kendall Taylor and the BBC Scottish Orchestra, conductor, Ian Whyte. Programme also includes Liszt's Tone Poem: Festklänge (Festive Sounds).
11.45 'BELIEF IN GOD AND PRACTICAL LIVING'—Last of three talks by the Rev. Austin Williams. 'At work with Oneself'.

Monday, February 7.

- Eastern Service
10.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME 'Prufrock and Other Observations: 1917'—John Hayward talks about T. C. Eliot's first book of poems.
GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE.
A.M.
9.30 'TIP-TOP TUNES'—Gerald and his Orchestra 'THE GEISHA' Book by Owen Hall and Harry Greenbank Music by Sidney Jones with Janet Davis (soprano) as Mimosa, Betty Huntley-Wright as Molly, Frederick Harvey (baritone) as Fairfax, Clifford Derr (baritone) as Cunningham, Dudley Rolph as Wun-Hi BBC Midland Chorus and Orchestra, conductor, Gilbert Vinter. Narration written by Philip Garston-Jones and spoken by F. H. Grisewood.
P.M.
4.00 'THE SMALL HOUSE AT ALLINGTON'—by Anthony Trollope. Adapted for broadcasting by H. Oldfield Box Episode 2.
4.30 'HAVE A GO!'—The Quiz visits Garnant, South Wales.
5.00 'THE LIFELINE'—A Picture of British Shipping—The story written and told by Colin Wills.
8.15 BANDS WITHIN BANDS—The Harry Gold Quartet from Harry Gold's Orchestra.
8.30 'WOMEN'S PROGRAMME'.
9.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 Eric Barker in 'WATERLOGGED SPA'.
10.45 WELSH MAGAZINE.
11.15 'CAPRICE'—An entertainment with Marjorie Burke, Bruce Carfax, Richard Gilbert, Oscar Grasso, and Winifred Taylor.
11.45 'COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE'.

Tuesday, February 8.

- GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE.
A.M.
9.15 SCIENCE REVIEW.
9.30 Kim Peacock and Marjorie Westbury in 'PAUL TEMPLE AND THE CURZON CASE'—A serial by Francis Durbridge Final episode: 'Curzon'.

- 10.30 'A SLIGHT CASE OF MUSIC'—between Cherry Lind and Benny Lee, accompanied by Alan Paul and Edna Hatzfeld at the pianos.
10.45 'COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE'.
11.15 RING UP THE CURTAIN—BBC Theatre Orchestra Conductor: Walter Goehr Walter Midgley (tenor) A programme of music by Franz Lehar.
P.M.
12.30 VARIETY BANDBOX—with Frankie Howard, Anona Winn, Jack Watson, Harry Rabinowitz, Charman Innes, Lyon and Marion, Joe Crosby, and Billy 'Uke' Scott.
1.45 RHODESIA v. M.C.C.—An eye-witness account.
2.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.
4.00 'SCARLET AND BLUE'—Band of the Irish Guards Conductor: Major G. H. Willcocks Luten Girls' Choir Conductor: Arthur E. Davies Denys Barlow (organ).
4.30 LONDON FORUM.
5.00 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME—Amsterdam Chamber Music Society—Hubert Barwalder (flute), Haakon Stotyn (oboe), Piet Hennekemeyen (violin), Koen van der Molen (viola), Johan de Nobel (violinello) Quartet in D, for flute and strings Mozart, Phantasy for oboe and string trio Benjamin Britten
5.30 THE REITH LECTURES (6)—A talk by Bertrand Russell.
6.00 AMERICAN LETTER—by Allister Cooke.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE—BBC Variety Orchestra. Conductors: Rae Jenkins with Jean Pougnet (violin) and Owen Brannigan (bass).
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
11.45 REPORT FROM BRITAIN—A weekly talk by Vernon Bartlett.

Wednesday, February 9.

- P.M.
Eastern Service
10.30 'THE BRAINS TRUST'—Resident Team: Compton Mackenzie, F. C. Hooper, and Dr. C. D. Darling. Question-Master: Gilbert Harding.
GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE.
A.M.
9.30 'MUCH - BINDING - IN - THE - MARSH'.
10.00 'THE STORYTELLER'—Colla Bridge, written and read by Hal Jukes.
11.15 'UP THE POLE'—with Jimmy Jewel and Ben Warriss, Claude Dampier, Jon Fawcett, Betty Paul, Five Smith Brothers, The Dance Orchestra, conducted by Stanley Black.
4.00 'MUCH - BINDING - IN - THE - MARSH'.
5.00 'CONCERTO'—A series of weekly programmes—Brahm's Piano Concerto No. 2 in B flat, played by Irene Kohler and the BBC Scottish Orchestra, conductor, Ian Whyte. Programme also includes Berlioz' Overture, Roman Carnival.
7.15 ARTHUR BIRKBY OCTET—with Billy Mayerl (piano) and Roland Robson (baritone).
7.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING'—The Right Thing to Do—by Professor D. M. McKinnon.
9.15 BBC NORTHERN ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Charles Groves.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
11.45 BALANCE OF EUROPE—A weekly commentary by Andrew Shenfield, on the Recovery Programme.
Thursday, February 10.
GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE.
A.M.
11.45 'THIRTY YEARS OF BRITISH JAZZ'—Presented by Hector Stewart (gramophone records).

- P.M.
1.45 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
4.00 IN BRITAIN NOW—A National Magazine.
4.30 'TIP-TOP TUNES'.
5.00 THE MERCHANT NAVY PROGRAMME.
6.00 SCIENCE AND EVERYDAY LIFE—Alex Rodger explains how psychologists find men for particular jobs.
7.15 BBC WELSH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Mansel Thomas.
8.15 CELEBRITY RECITAL—Solomon (piano)—Sonata in C minor, Op. 111. Beethoven
9.15 'LET'S MAKE MUSIC'—Billy Terpent and his Orchestra with Eva Beynon, Pat O'Regan, Don Emsley, and Johnny Kerrison and his Samba Band with Bobby Young.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 BRITISH CONCERT HALL—Yorkshire Symphony Orchestra Conducted and presented by Maurice Miles.
The London Overture, John Ireland Symphony No. 3 in F..... Dvorak

Friday, February 11.

- A.M.
10.30 TURNER LAYTON—Singer, composer, and pianist, with the BBC

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- Revue Orchestra, conductor, Frank Cantell Introduced by Maira Mannion.
11.15 BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult.
P.M.
4.00 'THE GHOST AND MRS. MUIR'—by R. A. Dick, adapted for radio by Cyrus Andrews.
5.00 THE STORYTELLER:
5.15 Interlude.
5.30 CELEBRITY RECITAL—Campbell (violin).
6.00 THE MAKING OF A PLAY—'The Critic Sums Up' Speaker: Alan Dent.
7.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME—H. W. Nevinson—H. W. Nevinson gives personal recollections of his friend H. W. Nevinson—scholar, journalist and man of action.
8.45 WORK AND WORSHIP—A programme for workers in mission field. The Rev. Allen Birtwhistle will review some recent books and the Rev. Kenneth Thorneycroft will conduct a devotional service.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 Cyril Stapleton and his Orchestra in 'THE MUSIC BOX'.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
11.45 WORLD AFFAIRS—A survey by the Hon. Harold Nicolson.

Saturday, February 12.

- GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE.
A.M.
9.30 'WATERLOGGED SPA'.
10.00 SCOTTISH MAGAZINE.
10.45 WORLD AFFAIRS.
P.M.
3.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
4.30 'UP THE POLE'—with Jimmy Jewel and Ben Warriss, Claude Dampier, Jon Fawcett, Betty Paul, Five Smith Brothers, The Dance Orchestra, conducted by Stanley Black.
5.00 'LET'S MAKE MUSIC'—Billy Terpent and his Orchestra with Eva Beynon, Pat O'Regan, Don Emsley, and Johnny Kerrison and his Samba Band with Bobby Young.
6.45 RECITAL—by Howard Layton—Brown (Australian violinist) and Wilfred Dunwell (Australian pianist).
Sonata in C Mozart
6.50 'MUSICAL PATTERNS'—Fugue, an illustrated talk by Eric Hemery.
8.45 BILLY MAYERL—and his Music.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 ORCHESTRA OF THE THEATRE ROYAL, DRURY LANE—Conductor: Reginald Burston.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 'SATURDAY SPORT'—Including commentaries on Cricket: South Africa v. England—The Fourth Cricket Test Match at Johannesburg; Rugby: Ireland v. England at Dublin; commentaries: Rex Alston and G. V. Wynne-Jones; Association Football: Fifth Round of the F. A. Cup (Music included during this period).

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SUNDAY HERALD Pictorial



More than 200 guests were invited to the reception given by Mr. H. H. Rankine, Acting Australian Government Trade Commissioner, on the occasion of Australia Day at the Hong Kong Club Annexe. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. H. H. Rankine, Acting Australian Government Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, and the Governor of Hong Kong, Sir Alexander Grantham, at the Australia Day reception. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. and Mrs. K. Noble and Mrs. Fung Ping-tun. ("China Mail" photo)

Mr. N. Oliver, Lieutenant A. Stepto, Messrs. A. S. Ervin, A. Duffy, P. Phillips and N. E. Arthy photographed at the cocktail party at the Hong Kong Club Annexe on the occasion of Australia Day. ("China Mail" photo)



The 161st anniversary of the organized settlement of Australia was commemorated in Hong Kong on January 26 by the local Australian community. Mr. H. Rankine, Acting Australian Government Trade Commissioner, host at the Australia Day reception, made a brief speech on the significance of the occasion. ("China Mail" photo)

Miss H. Sorensen and Mrs. L. Winfield, two of the many guests at the Australia Day cocktail party. ("China Mail" photo)



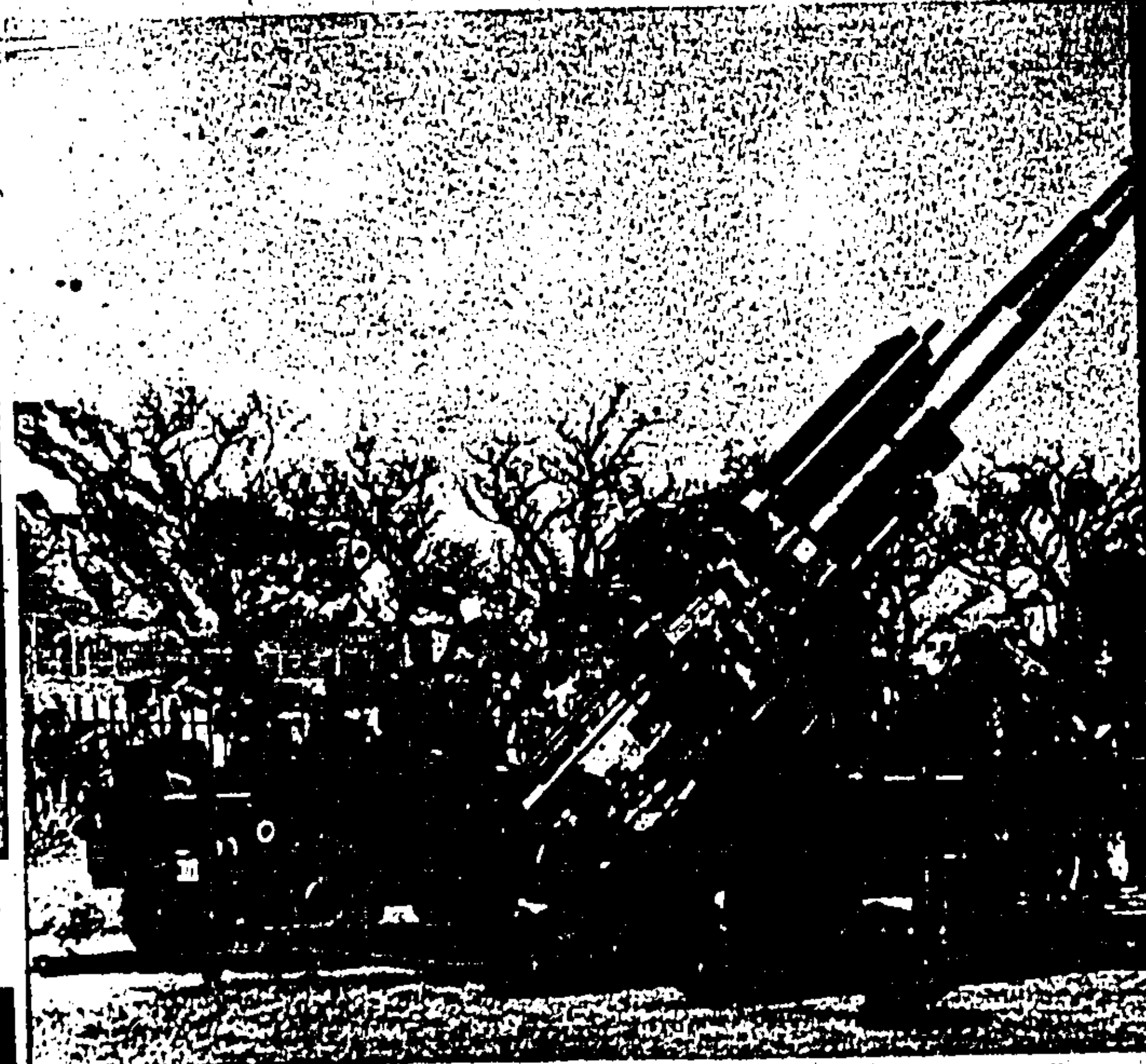
Mr. W. P. Montgomery, United Kingdom Trade Commissioner, (second from left), among the guests at the Australia Day reception. On his right is Mrs. W. A. Parker, and on his left is Mr. and Mrs. L. Anderson. ("China Mail" photo)

Among the many guests at the Australia Day cocktail party were Mrs. Fairbairn, Mr. K. Noble (Canadian Trade Commissioner), Mr. Fairbairn, Mrs. D'Arcy and Mrs. Noble. ("China Mail" photo)





Mr. Harry Odell and Mr. Wong Fook-hing welcoming the Governor, with Mrs. J. Scott and the ADC at the opening of the Liberty Theatre in Kowloon. ("China Mail" photo)



"Initialcatures" by Mr. H. D. Benham stopped the dancing at the Royal Air Force Association dance at the Roof Garden on Chinese New Year's Eve. (Ming Yuen photo)



Mr. Benham finds entertaining guests is easy with his lightning sketches, using initial letters for a beginning. (Ming Yuen photo)



At the RAF dance: Mrs. S. Grove, and Major F. Miles, at the back and Mrs. Miles, Mr. H. Owen Hughes and Miss S. Bassett. (Ming Yuen photo)



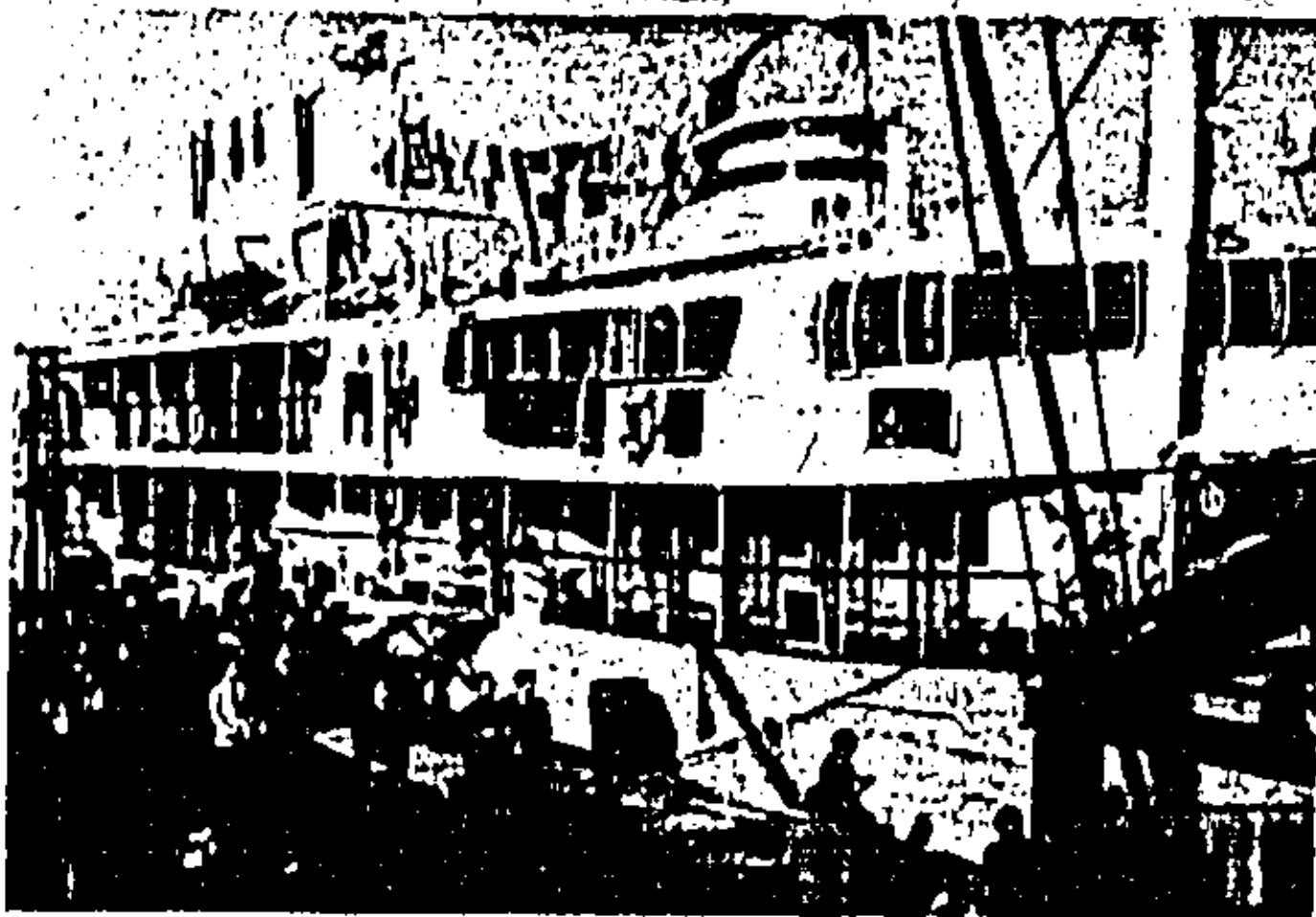
Pony rides were popular at the poor children's party organised by Mrs. G. S. P. Heywood on behalf of the Kowloon branch S.P.C.C., held on the football pitch of the 25th Field Regiment R.A.



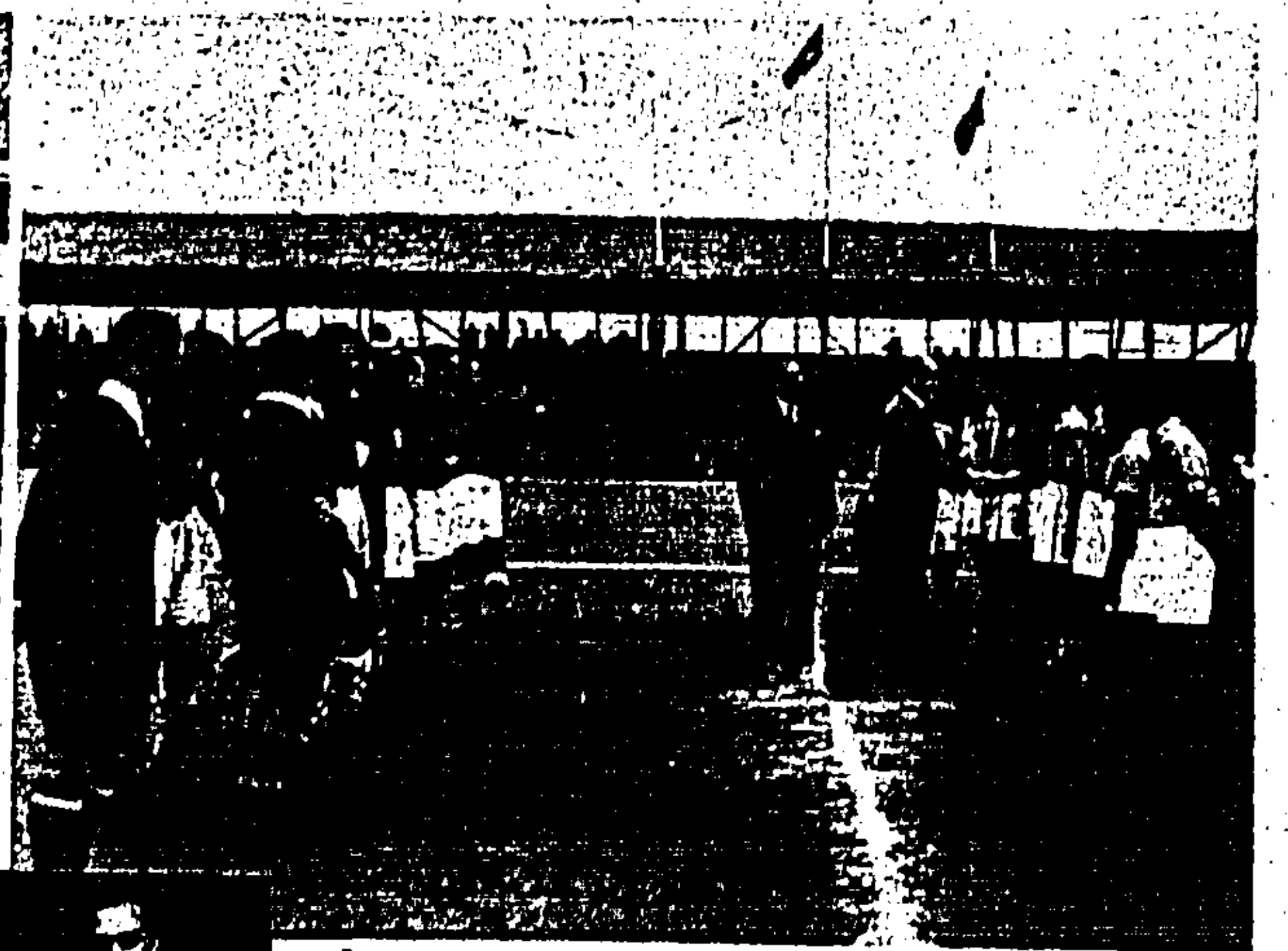
At the RAF dance: Mrs. B. Deakin, Mrs. C. Blott, Mrs. E. Hicks and Miss B. Piercy. (Ming Yuen photo)



An impressive view of the new 3.7 calibre A. A. gun at the 25th Field Regiment R. A. children's party.



A Cocktail party was given by Man Sang Industrial Corporation on board the s.s. Kee Mon before her first sailing to Canton. (Sun Ying Ming photo)



The Governor shakes hands with the Saigon and Hong Kong players before the Interport match on Chinese New Year day. ("China Mail" photo)



The Hong Kong football team which beat Saigon 3-1 in the Interport match at Caroline Hill. ("China Mail" photo)



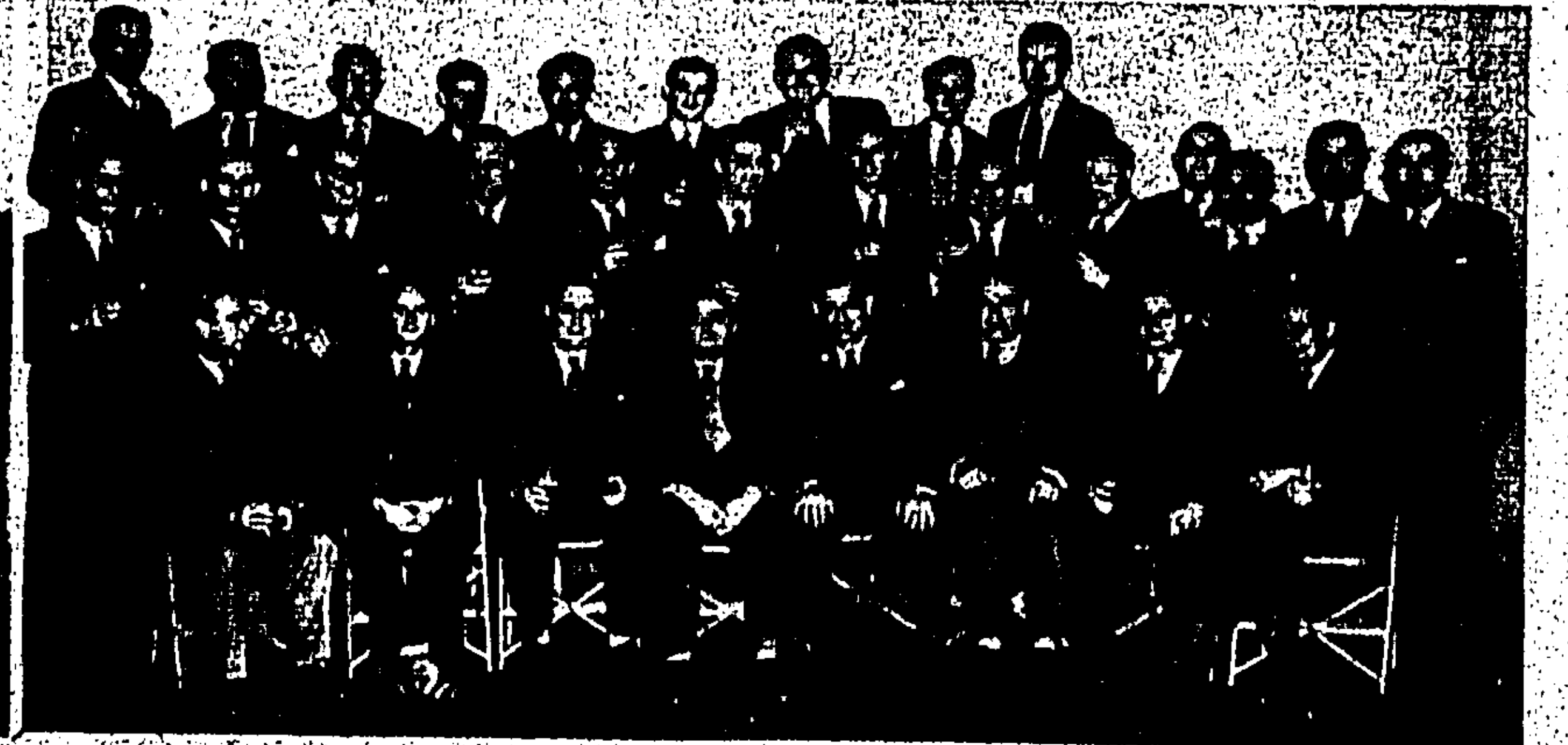
Lieutenant Colonel J.D.A. Lamont supervises pony rides at the Kowloon S.P.C.C. poor children's party, at which 1,400 attended.



Sergeant Kadar, Hong Kong Police, and Aircraftman Bradley, boxing at the China Fleet Club. ("China Mail" photo)



Children found riding in a jeep great fun at their party on the 25th Field Regiment R.A. football pitch.



Group at the HKVDC reunion dinner held by member of the Motor Cycle Section, the Armoured Cars and Mobile Column, at the China Fleet Club. ("China Mail" photo)



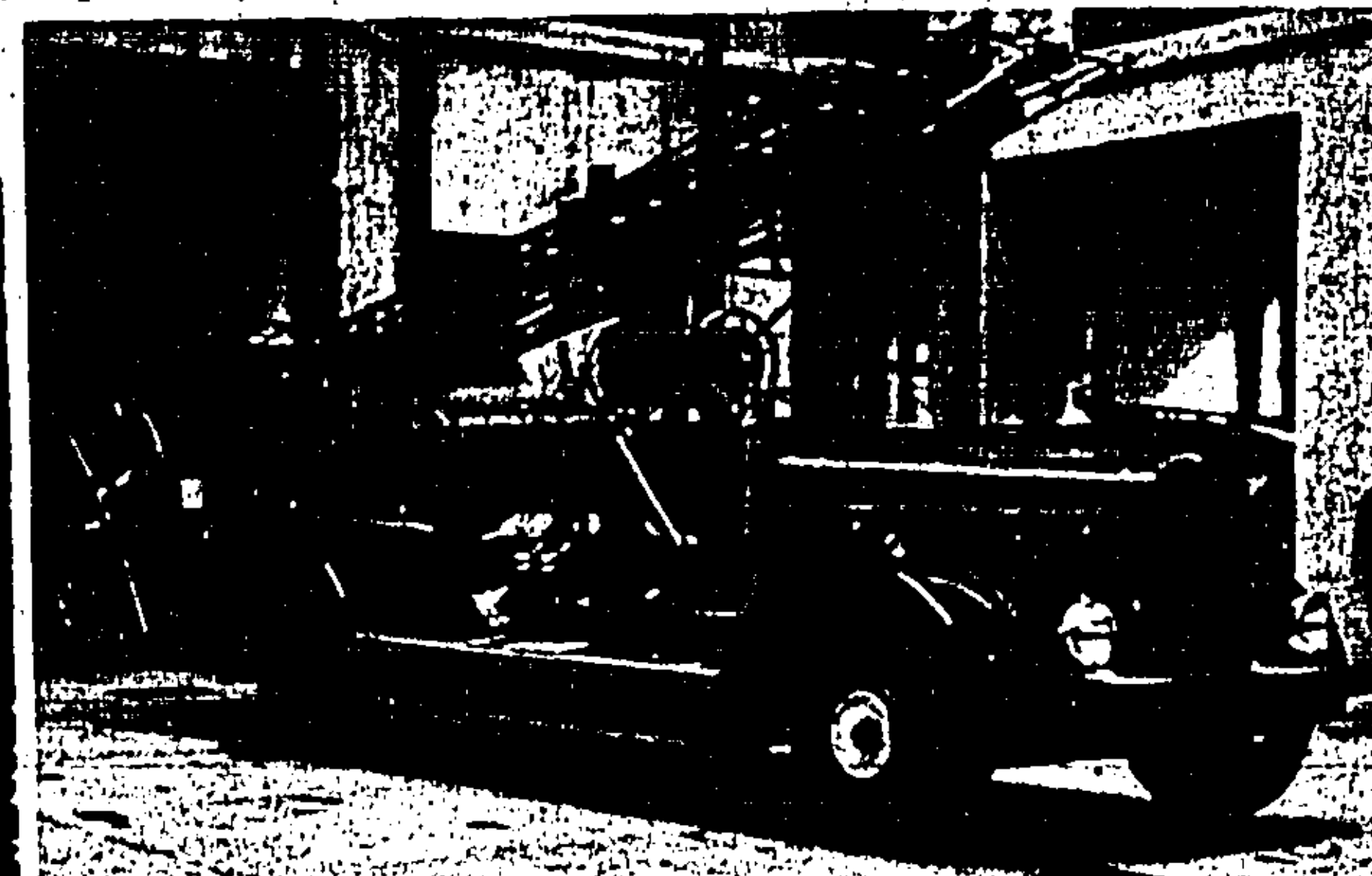
Miss Mildred Osmund married Mr. Antonio Eduardo Noronha at the Rosary Church on January 27. ("China Mail" photo).



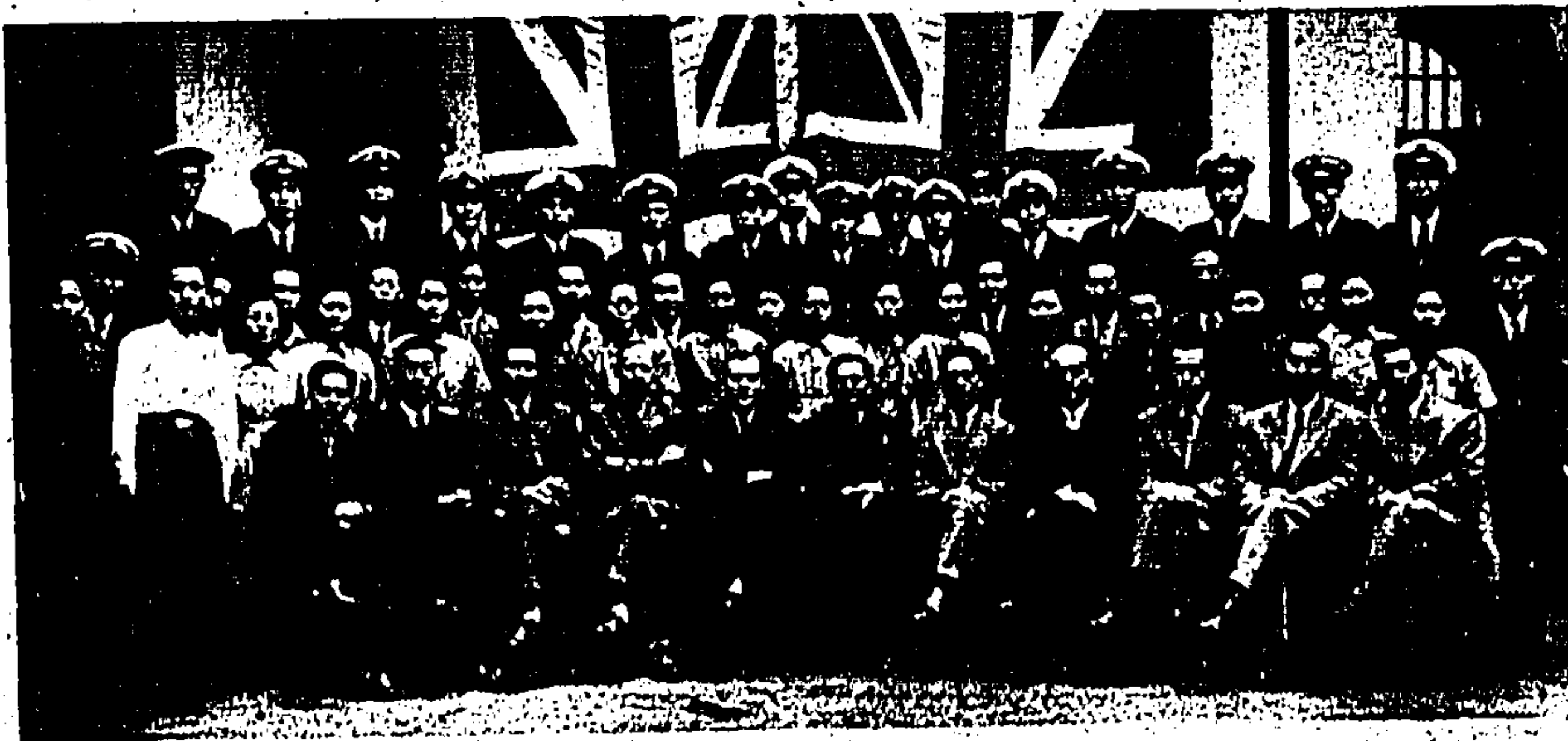
Mr. and Mrs. D. Dally's daughter was christened at Queen's College Hall on January 31. ("China Mail" photo).



The staff of the Port Health Department held an unofficial reception party to celebrate the Chinese New Year at their office on January 31. ("China Mail" photo).



This new engine has arrived to augment the equipment of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade. ("China Mail" photo).



Members of the Port Health Office staff at their New Year party. ("China Mail" photo).



Roderick Cameron, son of Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Watson, with his sister Heather, seems to have enjoyed his christening. (Gainsborough photo).

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In The Mailbag **RUSTY RILEY**

By Frank Godwin

ISAAC KOO, I am glad to know that you will be trying your very best this half year to help me improve the section. I'll miss you too. When you write to the Teen Ago Editor, just address The Editor, Teen Ago Topics, Windsor House, Hong Kong.

NEME MOHAMMED, I'll be looking forward to those stories you mentioned in your letter. Thanks for sending in your photo.

KENNETH OLAUSEN, welcome to the H.C.C. I hope you're going to like it, and thanks for the contributions; will print them soon.

FRANCISCO MOK FABEL, you need not be sorry for sending in an article without being an H.C.C. Member. I'm glad to receive it and I do hope to hear from you again.

H.C.C. Members

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HOBBIES: Games, and drawing.

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HOBBIES: Swimming, cycling, and collecting film stars' pictures.

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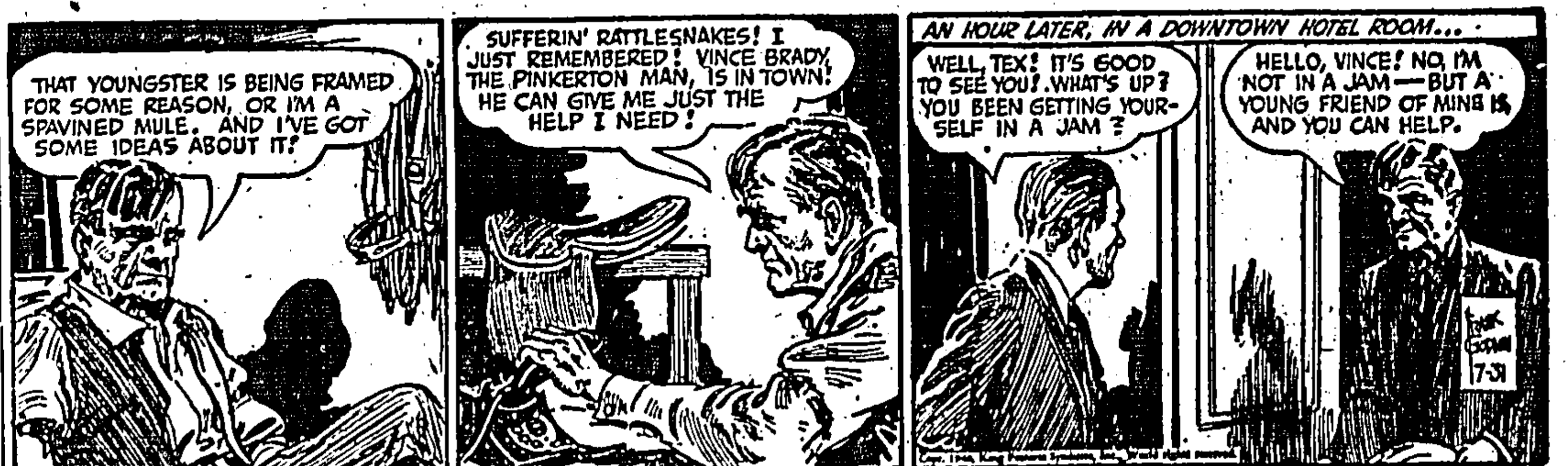
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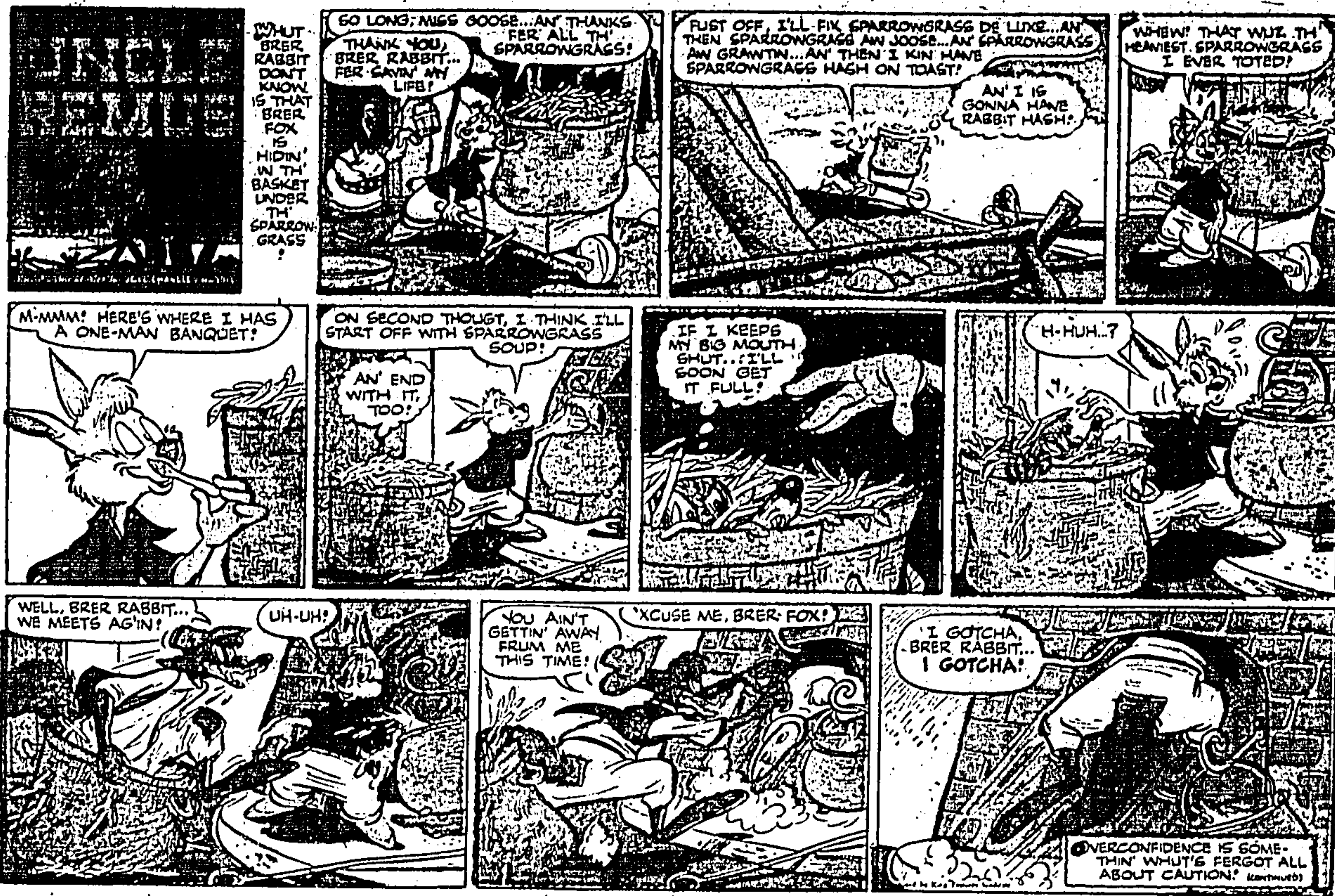
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HOBBIES: Stamp collecting.





LITTLE LIGHT-FOOT

Light-Foot was a cuddly little rabbit. He was only a few inches long, though he expected that some day he would be as big as Mamma Rabbit and Papa Rabbit.

Now there are rabbits—and rabbits. Light-Foot was different from the cottontail rabbits, though he never thought much about that. In the summer months he had a fine time scurrying about the woodland where he lived, playing games with other rabbits and eating whenever he could find anything to eat, and he thought life in the wood was lots of fun. Then came the autumn, when the air grew colder, and he was glad he had a nice coat of fur to keep him warm.

He was running along over the crisp leaves which covered the ground, one fine day, when he heard a very funny noise, and stopped short in his tracks. Now he heard it again. It came from a branch of a big oak, and looking up he saw Sassy, the Screech Owl, sitting there, blinking and making that queer noise.

If Light-Foot had been a mouse or a chipmunk he would have darted away as fast as he could go; but he wasn't a bit afraid of Sassy.

"Why do you make a noise like that?" he asked.

"Because winter will soon be here, and I don't like winter."

"Winter? Never heard of it. What is it like?"

"Well, it gets colder and colder, and then snow begins to fall and cover the ground and the trees and everything else."

"What is snow?"

"Dear, dear! Why, it's something white and soft and cold that falls out of the sky. It makes drifts two or three feet deep. You can sink right into it!"

"Then I shan't be able to run about any more. What shall I do?"

"I don't know," answered Sassy. "Better ask your folks."

So Light-Foot hurried home and asked his mother how he was to get around when winter came and snow fell.

"Why, we shall all have snowshoes," said Papa Rabbit. "Snowshoes? What are they like and how do we get them?"

"You'll find out before long," said Papa Rabbit, and winked at Mamma Rabbit.

Light-Foot could hardly wait for winter. But soon the days got very cold, and before autumn had gone he was surprised to see that a sort of web was growing between all his toes! The same thing was happening to Papa Rabbit and Mamma Rabbit, too!

It wasn't long before he had webbed feet, just like a duck or goose. When at last the snow fell and the forest was clad in white and the drifts were covering the ground, Light-Foot found that he could skim over the snow as easily as anything, and never sink in! It was great fun!

"So these are snowshoes!" he said, when he got back home.

"But what am I to do when it's summer again? I shan't want snowshoes then!"

"You won't have them," said Papa Rabbit. "They'll disappear and won't come back until you need them for another winter."

"Isn't that wonderful!" exclaimed Light-Foot.

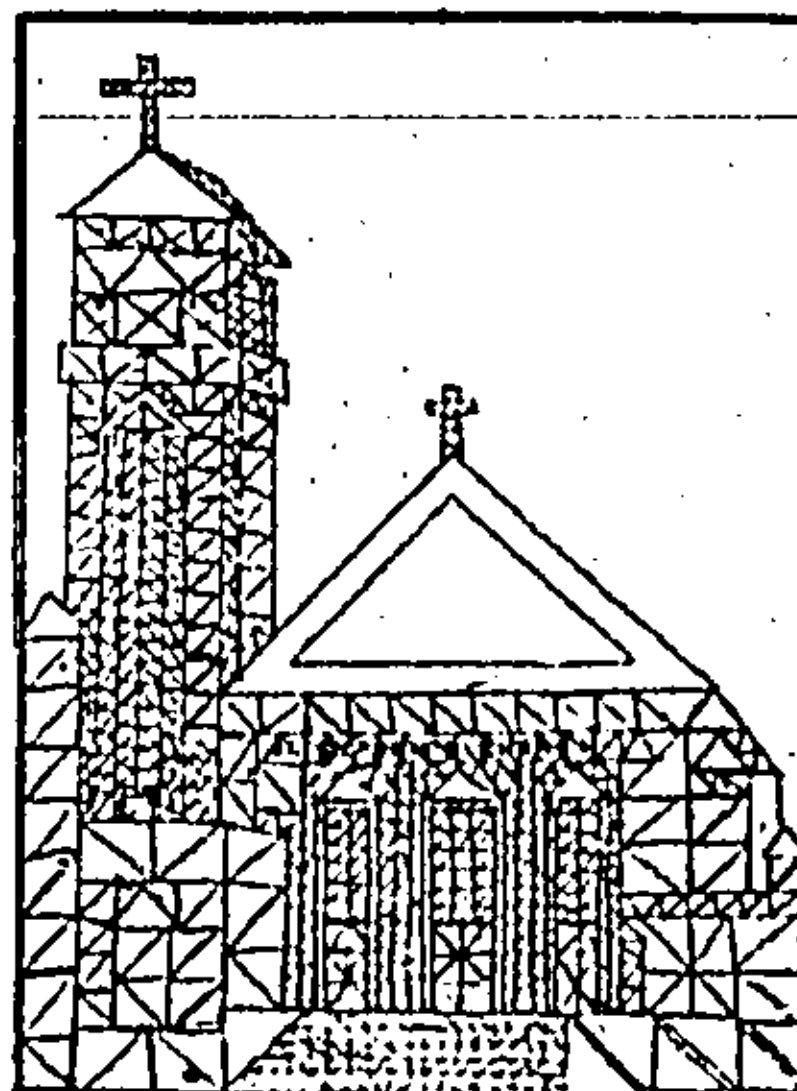
"Yes, it is. But you see, Mother Nature looks after us very carefully. She knows that without snowshoes we shouldn't be able to run fast enough to get away from Mister Fox when he goes hunting."

"I'm glad I'm a Snowshoe Rabbit and not a Cottontail," said Light-Foot, "but I suppose Mother Nature looks after him too. I'll ask him next time I see him."

"Tommy, why are you scratching yourself?"

"No one else knows where I live."

THE WINNERS



Henry Chan of 7, Li Yuen Street West, Hong Kong, won the first prize for the Triangles Competition. Good work!



Second prize for the Triangles Competition went to Lau Ping Shue of 27, Caroline Hill Road, 1st fl., Hong Kong.

Neighbour: Where is your brother, George?

George: He's in the house playing a dot. I finished my part first.

MY FRIEND BILLY

One day, after school, I went home and saw my sister and some friends talking in the sitting-room, so I went in and said, hello to them all. My sister introduced a tall boy to me, his name is Billy. We both said, "How-do-you-do," and then we sat down and chatted.

One week later he came to visit us. He knocked at the door, and when I opened it, I was surprised for I saw Billy wearing a uniform, and he looked real handsome. I quickly called Sis to come down, and that evening we had a very enjoyable time.

He often comes to see us with his motor-cycle and he is very nice, taking us for long runs and treating us to ice-creams.

My school had a bazaar, and he came to it. He played games and bought many things from my stall. When he left the bazaar with me, we happened to see a poor boy lying on the road, for he was knocked down by a car.

There was blood on his face, and everybody ignored him. When Billy saw that, a kind thought came to him and he felt sorry for the poor boy, so he at once rang up for an ambulance.

The boy was taken to a hospital,

then Billy found his address and quickly went to call for the poor boy's parents. The parents went to the hospital straight away and were glad to know that the boy was not badly hurt. The doctor said that after two week's rest he would be all right. His parents thanked Billy for saving their son.

Billy was glad he did something good. Now don't you think my friend Billy is wonderful?

Honour certificate to Jenny Wong, aged 12, of Stone Manor, Sassoon Road, Hong Kong.

Birthday Greetings



KENNETH CHARLES BARRIE COOK of 50A, The Peak, Hong Kong, will be six years old on February 8.

On February 7, COLLEEN ANN BROWN of 53, Wong Nei Chong Road, Top fl., Hong Kong will be 12 years old.

On February 10, GEORGE CHEE of 207, Fa Yuen Street, Top fl., Kowloon will be 11 years old; and EDWARD PASSOS of 170, Lookhart Road, 3rd fl., Hong Kong will be 13 years old.

On February 11, CAROLYN JANET BARBARA LEE of Lytton House, 36, Mody Rd., Kowloon will be 14 years old.

A very very Happy Birthday to you all.

A Story Of Peggy

Once there was a little girl named Peggy. She loved little puppies, but her mother would not buy her one. Peggy pestered her mother but still she said, "no."

So, when Peggy's father came home that evening, Peggy asked him to buy her one.

Now, Peggy's father loved pets, so he said, "All right." They had dinner and right after their meal, together they went to get a puppy.

They bought a lovely black one and went home happily. When Peggy's mother saw the darling puppy, she fell in love with it too and said that she was sorry she didn't let Peggy have it in the beginning when she asked for it.

Honour certificate to June Leung, aged 10, of 27, Hankow Road, 2nd fl., Kowloon.

Comrades of the Legion

by Angus MacDonald

Captain Santerre proved eager enough to accept the offer Cavendish had made, and, when the Arabs shortly afterwards made a sudden assault from all sides, he had already placed the Englishman in command of the East and North walls of the Fort.

John Cavendish acquitted himself well during the fierce attack. Skillfully he reinforced the most dangerously threatened points with a mobile section of men whom he kept ready "under his hand" as a reserve; and then as the besiegers on the East and North began to withdraw he sent aid to the West and South walls, where Santerre and the remainder of the garrison were hard-pressed.

The assault was finally repulsed with heavy loss to the Arabs—but, alas, not without severe loss to the defenders as well.

"I owe you my deepest thanks, Major Cavendish," Simon and Mary heard Santerre declare, after the Touaregs had retreated to their former positions. "But for you, I fear those devils would have been inside the Fort by now, and butchering every one of us." "Nevertheless," Santerre added sombrely, "I feel that sooner or later they must storm Miribel by sheer force of numbers. Ah, if only we had at our disposal a means of rapid transport across the desert! It would then be possible to send a messenger for help, smuggling him out by way of the tunnel."

"The tunnel?" Cavendish inquired.

"Yes, there is a secret passage under the fort. It leads out to the other side of the ridge where your car broke down—beyond the Arab positions. I had forgotten its existence till I came across a reference to it in the Fort records only this afternoon."

"For the most part a natural tunnel in the bedrock of the desert, it was extended by a former commandant who felt it might be useful in time of siege—as it would be now, if messenger could be got quickly to Gharbaya. Unfortunately, he would have to cover the journey on foot, and that would take days."

Simon spoke, impulsively. "Dad," he said, "we could drive for help! There's nothing wrong with the car. I'll put it right after you crossed the ridge."

His father gave him a queer searching look, and flushed; but

A Little Red Wagon

Billy Jones was passing the Green's store. Mr. Jack Mason owned it. Billy saw a red wagon, and oh! he was so happy. But when he saw the price, he was sad, for it was \$10.

"Oh! I've only five cents and mom can't afford \$10," said Billy. Poor Billy just could not forget the red wagon. One week passed and Billy went after school to see the red wagon; but it was gone. Billy wondered who had brought it. Sadly he went home.

The lights were out at home and Billy thought his mom and dad were out. He opened the door, and the lights went on and everybody said to Billy "Surprise, surprise!"

Billy was surprised, but he looked at only one thing, in the middle of his birthday presents, the red wagon! He was so happy that he took his wagon and ate his cake and ice cream in it.

Honour certificate to Annie Chan of 7, Norfolk Rd., Kowloon Tong.

without reference to the—sham breakdown he had staged he took up the boy's suggestion.

Santerre on his part agreed that by driving to Gharbaya for reinforcements Cavendish would be of even greater assistance than by remaining at the Fort.

Thus before long the two children and their father were quitting the stronghold by the subterranean passage, to which they gained access via a loose flagstone in a store-room floor.

Bent double, they followed the tunnel till they found the way barred by a heavy boulder. This they managed to dislodge, and at once stepped out into the open to find themselves less than fifty yards from their tracked shooting-brake.

It was as they started towards it that they heard a voice behind them, and, wheeling in surprise, they beheld the figure of a Legionnaire who must have shadowed them through the tunnel and who now menaced them with his rifle.

"Heilini!" Cavendish exclaimed. "What does this mean?"

The Legionnaire smiled crookedly and listened to the muffled sound of firing which came from the other side of the ridge, where the Arabs were sniping at the Fort.

"Perhaps it might help you to understand," he said softly, "if I told you that this beard conceals the identity of an old acquaintance—none other than Kurt Jansen, Major Cavendish!"

(To Be Continued)

Looking For Trouble

Once there lived three bears in a big forest. The father bear's name was called "Nonsense," the mother bear's name was called "Mind your own business," and the baby bear's name was called "Trouble."

One day Trouble was lost in the wood, so father bear and mother bear went to report it to the police, and the police asked the mother bear what her name was and she replied "Mind your own business," and the police asked the father bear what his name was and he answered "Nonsense."

The police got very angry and asked, "Are you two looking for trouble?" and they answered "Yes."

"This is the end of the story, but of course they found 'Trouble' all right."

Honour certificate to Lolita M. Gutierrez, of Ma Tau Chung Camp, Room No. 3.

Wonder Questions

What makes some people's eyes bloodshot?

When we stay up, or read and sew for too long we strain the muscles of our eyes, and the little veins in our eyes burst and our eyes are "bloodshot."

Some people's eyes hurt in some ways and their eyes are bloodshot all the time, but with most of us it is just a warning that we have been overworking our precious eyes.

What is mercury?

Mercury is a metallic element which melts at such low temperatures that it is generally found in a liquid state. It is very poisonous and one of its compounds is used as a detonator because it explodes on being struck. Of course, we use mercury most commonly in our thermometers. Mercury is denser than water and is so heavy that iron will float on it.

Sort Out These Jumbled Words

Can you name the different kinds of dog? If you cannot, turn this page upside down to find the answer.

(1) Laastains, (2) Oldbulg, (3) Xoorb, (4) Cello, (5) Hushan-cadd, (6) Koftrixere, (7) Heyground, (8) Dorabrah, (9) Kelpense, (10) Rivverret.

Jumbled Words Answers:

Retriever, Bulldog, Boxer, Collie, Alsatian, Bullterrier, Greyhound, Fox Terrier, Pekingese, Labrador, Hound, Dalmatian, Poodle.

Honour certificate to Henry A. Stewart aged 11 of 229 Nathan Road, 2nd floor, Kowloon.

JOY AFTER A TRAGEDY

One day after a football game, I returned home with my friends, Bob and Jim. As soon as we entered the house, my little sister shouted out that my blackbird had vanished from its cage! At once we looked high and low for it. After an hour's search, I went into my mother's room where Jim was present. "Any sign of the bird yet?" asked Bob and I. "Sorry, no trace of it," was the reply.

I felt very miserable—rushed up a flight of steps, and began my search again. After a time, Auntie's cat walked slowly into the room and it soon lay down on the floor beside the couch. I pounced upon her and took a good look at her to see whether my bird had been its victim. Sure enough, Ginger (the cat's name) seemed very satisfied.

Some feathers were seen under the couch; a few more beside Uncle's bed. Oh, I was right! I cried and cried until Jim and Bob came up to me. When they found

out that Ginger was to blame, they struck her and sent her out of the room.

"Don't cry," said my sister. "I shall show you something nice." She dragged me by the arm and led me into our back yard where my pigeons were kept. We all peeped into the pigeon's house and our eyes popped out of our heads! I cried with joy—for the pigeon had multiplied!

Honour certificate to Albert Xavier, aged 15, of 10 Austin Avenue.

Man: You're in a mess, sonny.
Boy: I fell in a puddle.
Man: With your new pants on?
Boy: Yes. I didn't have time to take them off.

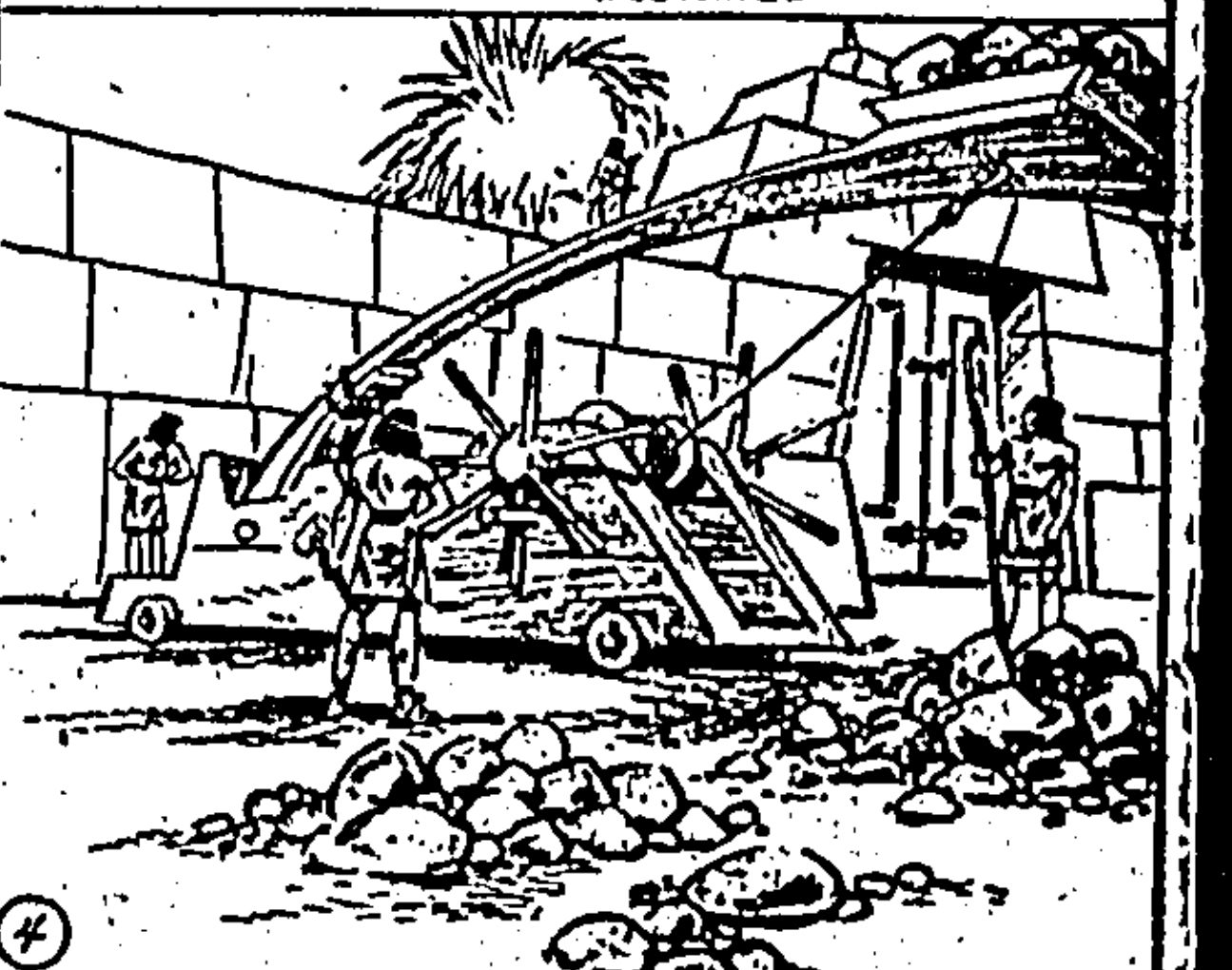
Girl: Doctor Brown is here to see you, Mother.
Mother: I don't want to see him. Tell him I'm sick.



THE INVADING ARMY DOTS THE PLAIN BEFORE THE GREAT WALLS OF CUTZO. THE ENEMY HOST IS AN AWESOME SIGHT—GLEAMING WITH BRIGHT WEAPONS WHICH SEEM TO DANCE IN THE RAYS OF THE MORNING SUNLIGHT.



QUIET—SETTLES OVER THE ANCIENT CITY ITSELF AS THE DEFENDERS AWAIT THE WORD FROM THEIR CHIEFTAIN, PARHAGA—TO LAUNCH THE CATAPULTS AND FIRE THROWERS.



OTHER WARRIORS IN THE NEW ARMOR DESIGNED BY BRICK, MAN THE BATTLEMENTS OF THE BE-LEAGUERED CITY.



AT A SIGNAL FROM THEIR COMMANDER, THE ENEMY WARRIORS, WITH WILD SHOUTS, HURL THEMSELVES AT THE WAITING WALLS.



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Children's Herald

AT MY TYPEWRITER...



Owing to the Chinese New Year holidays no issue of the "Children's Herald" was published on January 31. Many of you sent me interesting letters telling me about the grand time you had, and I enjoyed reading each and every one of them. very many thanks for writing.

I've also had a few mournful letters from girls and boys telling me that they have turned 15 and regretting they are no longer Heralters. But you are, so cheer up! If you have turned 16, you still have another full year to go. Sorry to say that we won't be able to start a personality column, as the majority do not seem to be in favour. Only a small number are willing to take part. Anyway we may start something better before long.

Photos, photos, please. I've asked for them, but so far only a few have responded. Will be looking forward to receiving a nice pile very soon. I'd like one of each of you.

Enjoying the new serial? It's getting rather exciting, isn't it? Well, don't miss any of it.

Happy days to you all, from

Auntie Vee

Who Am I?

My first is in late but not in mate,
My second is in pie but not in eye,
My third is in love and also in dove,
My fourth is in near but not in hear,
My fifth is in sight but not in right,
My whole feels best in a jungle at night.

Answer: "suot"

Honour certificate to Michael Gorfried of 42 Blue Pool Road, Hong Kong.

Grandma died, and the children were very sad.
"But grandma can look down on you all," said Mother.
Johnny (sobbing): "But she can't see us."
"How do you know?"
"Because she left her glasses behind."

"JOHN'S PLAN"

One day a group of boys were playing happily. One of them was called John and his best friend David.

David noticed a bird's nest on the top of a tree. He wanted to climb up and rob the nest. John warned him not to climb up, but David refused to listen to his advice and up he climbed.

Now there was a very big jar under the tree, and it was used for storing water against the dry season.

When David climbed up and was ready to rob the nest, the branch on which he was standing, gave way and he fell into the jar.

Some of the boys saw it and were afraid. Some of them tried to pull David out of the jar but it was so deep that their hands could not reach him.

John, David's pal, thought of a plan. He at once fetched a big stone and struck a hole in the jar. The water escaped through the hole and David was saved.

Honour certificate to Gordon Cheung, of 24 Yick Yam Street, 1st floor, Happy Valley.

COMPETITION

Hello, children. This week's competition is going to be an out of the ordinary one. What I want you to do is to try and send me a competition, that is, a competition you think would be popular with our members.

All the good competitions will be published later. The reader who submits one will not be eligible to enter for that one.

The first prize will be \$10, second prize \$7, third prize \$5; and three certificates worth five points will be awarded as consolation prizes.

You can send in more than one suggestion if you wish. The more the better, and in fact you will have a better chance to win if you do.

This will make the section even more your own, since you will be providing competitions for yourselves.

When you have finished, don't be late in sending it to me, addressed: Auntie Vee, Children's Herald, Windsor House.

Please return the enclosed slip with your entry and also mark on the left hand corner of your envelope "Competition."

NAME
ADDRESS
AGE

Competition Winners

First prize of \$10 for the Circles Competition goes to Roger Clive Kemp of 14c, Hillwood Road, Top floor, Kowloon; second prize of \$7 goes to Henry Chan of 7, Lee Yuen Street West, 2nd floor, Hong Kong and third prize of \$5 goes to Lolita Gutierrez of Ma Tau Chung Camp.

Honour certificates of three points have been awarded to Isabella Palmer of 62, Macdonnell Road, Flat 7 Hong Kong J.C. Pullen of 179, The Peak, Hong Kong and Wendy Wilson of 36, Harbour View Hotel, Kowloon.

Merry Moments

Nasty Donkey!
A man bought his five year old son a donkey. He was getting along very well with it, but one day he came in crying because the donkey had kicked him.

"You must have been annoying him," his father said.

"No, I wasn't," replied the sobbing boy, "I was just trying to cut my name on him."

Three Weeks Only.
Mistress (to maid): Look at the dust on this furniture! It's six weeks old at least.

Maid: I can't help that. I've only been here three weeks.



Our Serial Story

AND THE DEEP BLUE SEA

By Raymond Knotts

Jake Pavich, now chauffeur to Breckenridge Polk, had been a truck driver for Capone. He jogged along on little jobs of slugging and hijacking. He turned legit when repeal came. Got a job driving a truck for Polk's Chicago factory. Somehow Polk found out Jake had been a gangster and hired him as his chauffeur.

"Pritchard the butler? Just a butler," the city desk man said. "Worked for half a dozen families on the Gold Coast and in Lake Forest. None of them had anything against him."

"Harold Detridge? No police record. Worked in La Salle Street for a while. Selling bonds. No bad habits visible."

When it came to Walter Quillmire, the city desk man went mysterious. "Your fourth guy—well, there is something in the air. Off the record, his financial structure is shaky. The SEC is nosing into the guy's deals, and the New York and Illinois blue sky people are sniffing around and even the post office department is suspicious—using the mails to defraud."

Even if Quillmire were desperate for money to save his wobbling financial tower, would \$300,000 be enough to do it? And would he turn to kidnapping to get it? Hale shrugged the idea away.

Hale opened the other telegram. It began: GUYS I PHOTOGRAPHED WITH DROOPY MOUTHS LIKE YOU SAID: Then followed a list of about eight names compiled by the chief photographer.

Only one of the men stuck in Hale's mind—Weiller, the train robber. He had served six or seven years of his sentence, been released and vanished. Yet Weiller, as Hale remembered him, had been fat and of medium height, whereas Quillmire was slender and tall. Hale decided to check any way.

Sergeant Halloran got the police file on Arthur Weiller for him. Hale explained he had a funny hunch he wanted to check.

Hale looked at the measurements on the card: Weight, 220. Height, 5'11". The man was as tall as Quillmire!

In a carefully indifferent voice, Hale asked Sergeant Halloran if he could borrow the picture.

Five minutes later he was in photographer Zergin's studio. Under Hale's direction and the photographer's brush, Arthur Weiller became forty pounds lighter, seventeen years older, and acquired a moustache.

"Talk about resemblances!" said Zergin. "If it was possible I'd swear this guy was the Wall Street big shot, Quillmire!"

"Yeah," said Hale, concealing his excitement. "If it was possible."

Hale drove down to the bay front, looking for Quillmire's yacht, the Southern Star. A watchman informed him the yacht had left port yesterday morning.

Hale reflected that if Quillmire was just Quillmire, the departure of his yacht the morning before the kidnapping would mean nothing. But if Quillmire was actually the train robber, Arthur Weiller, it could be significant. But now action must wait until after they had received the kidnapper's message of instructions which would come within the next few hours.

Hale arrived back at Breckenridge Polk's house just in time to be present at a painful scene.

He and the young lawyer, Bill Buford, were having cocktails in the library when Orring came in. He was flushed and rocked unsteadily.

"Pritchard!" he shouted. "Get me a drink!"

Pritchard vanished and returned almost immediately with a tray bearing a bottle of Scotch, a tall glass, ice and soda.

"You certainly took your time," Orring snarled, snatching the whisky bottle. He poured a huge slug into the glass and held it out for Pritchard to add soda. But Orring's hand shook and some of the soda spilled on his cuff.

"You clumsy ox!" he screamed, and threw the drink into Pritchard's face. Then he snatched up the whisky bottle and rushed out of the room, swearing furiously.

Pritchard wiped his face and marched stiffly out of the room.

Dinner was early and grim. Orring did not appear. His mother said he was sick. Hale and Buford exchanged glances. They had seen him carry away the bottle.

"How do you think the kidnappers will communicate with us, Jim?" asked Polk.

"The telephone seems most likely," Hale replied. "Pavich is in the library now hooking the telephone up to the radio loudspeaker so we can all hear."

Polk nodded. He glanced at the clock. "After six. Let's go in the library. Bring the coffee in there, Pritchard. And go up and see if Orring is—uh—well enough to come down."

When Pritchard served the coffee in the library, he said there did not seem much chance of Orring's coming down. He had knocked but the door was locked.

They drank their coffee in a heavy silence, watching the clock. Nerves strained to the breaking point as seven o'clock passed and then eight.

The minutes added up to nine. To the quarter hour.

Polk paced back and forth. Mrs. Cayples, her self-control breaking at last, shrieked at him: "For heaven's sake, sit down, can't you?"

"No!" Polk howled back. "Why should I? Of all the goddamned—"

The telephone's whirling jangle cut through the sound of his voice.

"Oh!" he croaked, paralyzed for the moment by the sound he had been waiting for. Then, the spell broken, he reached for the telephone.

"Hello," Polk's voice cracked on the word.

"Mr. Breckenridge Polk?" the caller's voice roared out of the loudspeaker.

"Yes, this is Breckenridge Polk."

"This is Asa. Listen carefully."

The voice was neither deep in pitch nor high. It had queer metallic overtones, but the enunciation was entirely clear.

"I will be brief, Mr. Polk. At six o'clock tomorrow morning leave your house in a car, alone. Nobody is to follow you. Take the three hundred thousand dollars with you in an unlocked travelling bag. The money will be counted before your daughter is returned to you. If it is not all there, you will not see her again."

"Drive North on the beach road until you have proceeded eight and six tenths miles. You will find yourself at a cleft in the dunes on the seaward side, with traces of an abandoned road. Leave your car, take the travelling bag with the money and follow this road to an abandoned house facing the sea. Open the front door, set the bag inside, but do not enter. Do not, if you value your life, even look inside. Leave immediately."

"You will be observed every instant. Any attempt to defeat us by having policemen posted in the region will result in tragedy."

"Drive directly home. Wait there until you hear from me again. You will learn within three hours where to find your daughter."

"We would prefer not to kill Miss Polk. But you must understand that if you disobey we will not hesitate to kill her. Would you like to know how your daughter feels about her situation? Listen—"

There was a moment's silence, and then a girl's voice, Judie's, in a gasping broken cry:

"Oh Dad—Dad! Do what they say! Whatever they say, Dad!"

The cry ended in a choking sob and then there was silence.

Polk said, "Hello! Hello!" He jiggled the hook, then gave up.

Mrs. Cayples got up from her chair and moved unsteadily toward the door. She was very white. Marcia Lansing sprang up in quick solicitude.

"No, Marcia, stay where you are," she said. "I just want to go lie down."

The telephone rang again and Hale picked it up.

A new voice boomed out of the loudspeaker. "This is the chief operator. In accordance with your request, we tried to trace that call you just received. It was a ship-to-shore call. The party gave the number YN439T0. There is no such number on my register."

"Then there's no way to tell what boat it came from?"

"No, there isn't. I'm terribly sorry."

CHAPTER IV
"Couldn't anyone pick up a message by radio from a boat?" Bill Buford demanded.

Hale shook his head. "The better ship telephones have a gadget that scrambles the sound waves. Another gadget on shore straightens them out again. It's a safe bet the ship Asa's on has one."

Polk rumbled: "A boat! All the wise guys said the kidnappers couldn't have used a boat in this wind. Hah!"

"I still don't see how," Hale countered. "Nor do I see how a boat could have gotten so far from Miami."

"What makes you think it's far away?" Polk demanded.

"Remember that buzzing sound? An airplane flew over the boat while Asa was talking." Hale picked up a newspaper and scanned its first page briefly.

"And this wind storm is sweeping the whole East half of the Caribbean and extends 900 miles out into the Atlantic."

Hale was just dropping off to sleep when the telephone rang on his bedside table. He answered and heard the light, childish voice of the singer, Velma Martine.

"May I speak to—Orring Cayples, please?"

"I'll go call him. Hold the wire."

He slipped into a robe and went into the dark hall. Something warned him that someone was there in the blackness at his back.

He leaped to escape, but something struck his head.

When consciousness returned Hale found himself lying on a davenport in the upstairs corridor. Gathered around him were Polk and Buford, in bathrobes; Mrs. Cayples, in an assertive red silk kimono, and Orring Cayples, in shirt and trousers, wrinkled as clothes get when you go to bed in them.

And far away someone was screaming.

"That's Marcia!" Buford exclaimed, and raced away. Orring Cayples ran after him. Polk pushed Hale back when he tried to rise.

"Lie still! How do you feel? What happened?"

"Awful," said Hale. "Somebody clouted me."

"Who? What for?"

"I wish I knew. I've got to see what that yelling is about."

Hale got up unsteadily and went reeling down the stairs. Polk went beside him, obviously expecting him to fall, and Mrs. Cayples trailed behind.

The screaming had stopped, but in the sitting room overlooking the beach they found Marcia Lansing, shuddering in the arms of Bill Buford.

A tall French window stood open and the room was filled with a swirl of wind. Orring Cayples leaned against the wall near the open window looking sick.

"Out there," said Buford, nodding toward the open window.

Hale strode across the room, with Polk at his elbow. In the long rectangle of light outside the window, a man lay face down on the terrace. A dark, sleek smear spread like a black little lake on the tiles beside him. A chauffeur's cap lay upside down near the round clipped head.



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"Why, that's Pavich!" Polk croaked. "What's happened to him?"

Hale stepped through the window and knelt beside the prostrate figure.

There was a neat bullet hole just behind his left ear.

Back in the room, Hale asked, "What happened, Miss Lansing?"

"I couldn't sleep," Marcia wet her lips. "I came down to fix myself a glass of hot milk. But then I felt the wind blowing into the house and I came in here to see where it was coming from. I fell over something and lost my glasses. I can't see very far without them you know. I bumped into a lamp and turned it on. And then I went over to close the window, and just outside on the terrace I saw this—this shadow it looked like; but it didn't look like just a shadow either. I bent down to look and—I knew someone was lying there. And that's when I screamed."

For a moment nobody spoke. Then Orring, stooping to pick up something behind an overturned footstool, said, "Here are your glasses, Marcia."

"Oh, thanks," she said gratefully. "Now I can really see again."

"You didn't hear the shot?" asked Hale.

"No I didn't hear anything but the awful racket of the wind."

Mrs. Cayples snapped at him. "Can't you see she's in no condition to talk? Then in a gentler tone, "Come Marcia, go to bed. I'll give you something to quiet your nerves."

A police doctor came along with the police.

"How long has he been dead, doctor?" Hale asked.

"Can't say exactly. Somewhere between two and three hours."

Hale looked up at a clock. One o'clock. That would put the time of the murder somewhere between ten o'clock and midnight. It had been a little before midnight when Velma Martine called up and awakened him, and only a few minutes later when Marcia Lansing discovered Jake's body.

"Break," Hale asked, "what would Pavich be doing out there?"

"He was always out walking around at night. Said he didn't need much sleep."

They all went and sat in the library and Pritchard served coffee.

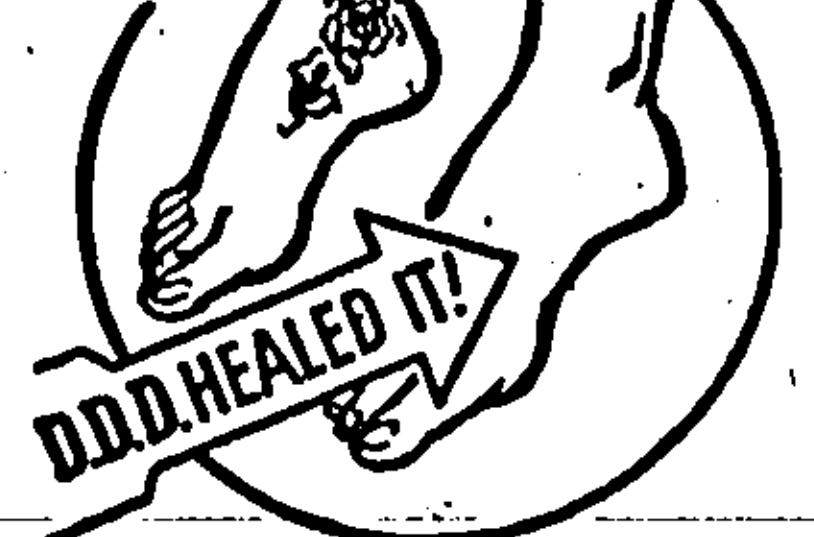
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ORIGIN OF MUSIC II

IN my last notes, the early origins of music and musical form were traced from the early days of the Italian masters, round about the middle of the 16th century.

Following on from these early beginnings, it is logical—even obvious—step to continue the examination over the period 1700-1800.

It was mainly during this time that the form and capabilities of the instruments at the disposal of composers were also being developed. Vivaldi and Corelli—two of the outstanding contributors to music in its earliest days—were mainly concerned with music for strings; brass, reed and percussion instruments were still in their infancy. The Germans and Austrians particularly were concerned with the development and manufacture of musical instruments. I believe it is true to say that even now a Boehm clarinet is still the finest to be had.

THE piano, as it stands today, has developed in successive stages from precursors of a like nature such as the harpsichord, virginals and recorder. Beethoven's pianoforte concertos must have set hard problems for the soloist when they were first published. It is a moot point whether the piano developed to meet the composer's demands, or whether the composer was constrained to restrict his music to such proportions as could be adequately perpetrated on the instrument as it then existed.

From the early beginnings of the Italian masters then, until the advent of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, little development of music can be traced. When Mozart's star began eternally to shine in the musical firmament, progress grew apace. In his short span of 35 years, Mozart composed music in every conceivable shape and form. Probably no other composer has equalled his output or his versatility, yet along maintained the consistently high standard which Mozart achieved with such facility. Note please the name "Amadeus," "Beloved of God." Truly, "whom the Gods love, die young." And such was Mozart's case.

FROM the ceaseless music which poured from his tireless pen to the enrichment of posterity, I would hesitate to say that any one composition is more outstanding than another. His symphonies, concertos, songs, operas and chamber-music are all or so it seems to me, endowed with some magical elfin-like quality which characterises them all. Mozart must surely be the first choice to any breaking musical ground for the first time. Who can fail to enjoy the rollicking movement of the "Marriage of Figaro" overture? Who can remain unimpressed by the lyrical beauty of his motet "Ave Maria?" And above all, can any one do else but appreciate the pianoforte concertos, to which I have referred so often in these columns. To me above everything else he has written, these concertos show Mozart at his very best. True, they are more in the nature of grand Chamber Music. The pomp of Beethoven; the solemnity of Rachmaninoff, the grandeur of Tchaikowski; all these will be sought for in vain in Mozart's concertos. Perhaps it is the almost intimate nature of the music, which renders it so attractive. There

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is something exciting (if that be the right word) in watching the soloist's fingers flashing over the keys as the rippling cadenzas flow out over the orchestra.

CERTAIN it is that Mozart had a most profound influence over music and development, and it is open to question what the position would have been had he never existed. Happily, this conjecture can be left aside since he did exist, and to some purpose, too! The space devoted here to Mozart seems to justify an inference that he was a development in himself. And so he was. No other musician had so far ventured into unknown fields as Mozart. No other had even contemplated making such demands on orchestra or the soloist. His operas demanded— and have now received—decor and technical qualities of an hitherto unconceived nature. Few are the men to whom Providence bestows so generously her rare gifts of true genius.

BACH (1685-1750) and Handel (1685-1759), immediate predecessors of any note, crowded into their lives compositions which I am constrained flatly to assert have never been equalled in any form of art. What a year 1685 proved to be for the furtherance of the world's library of music. The Gods indeed were in generous mood in so providing then that the spark of genius—so sparingly bestowed—was doubly blessed and divided in the same year, once to John Sebastian Bach and secondly to George Frederik Handel. It would seem that in this modern age, which has given us but few masterpieces worthy to rank with Bach's or Handel's music, we should join with the mendicant in saying, "Of thy bounty, grant us more."

IT would be invidious to attempt any estimate as to whether either Bach or Handel exercised the greatest influence over the contemporary musical development of their age. Each achieved greatness in some spheres not entirely vouchsafed to the other. Bach, for example, was past-master in the art of fugue as exemplified in the "Well-Tempered Klavier." To hear this work played as it should be—on the work-harpichord or clavier by an artist like Landowsky or Dolmetsch, it to hear Bach at his finest. Such a performance as Landa Wandowska gives on some superb H.M.V. recordings are treasures in every sense of the word and should certainly find their way into every music lover's library of records.

OLD Bach was something of a law unto himself in his music but his art was such that few of the laws he laid down—and so strictly observed himself—have changed even as at today. Past-master in the form of counterpoint (the erection and interweaving of melody upon melody), none has equalled Bach in this particular form of music.

Handel, composing at the same time and out-living Bach by nine years, contributed equally to current musical conception, as did his illustrious contemporary. If I personally prefer a Handel's music to Bach, to put my finger on the exact reason for the preference would be difficult. Chiefly however, it lies I think, in the ability to understand Handel the more easily. His oratorios, in which realm Handel's output was fruitful in the extreme, seem generally to conform to a common pattern of overture, chorus, recitative and aria. "Jephtha," "Samson," "The Messiah," "Judas Macabean" and "Piotomy" all bear this



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remark out. Yet the wonder of it is this common pattern in no way detracts from the freshness of the music or impairs the individual quality of each respective oratorio.

Handel's conceptions of music were probably less of a spiritual inspiration than were Bach's. Bach, as a church-organist, composed his music with the religious background always in mind. Handel, on the other hand, was bound by no such considerations.

THE absence of such background, however, does not imply that his music is any the less inspired. Indeed, "The Messiah" could surely never have been written (and in the incredibly short space of three weeks, too!) unless there had been the motivating force. No, indeed; the difference between the two lies in the fact that Handel was able to choose his subject from a wider selection than Bach. In so doing, he has provided music that will endure for as long as music itself is heard.

Between them, Bach and Handel and Mozart laid the very foundations of music. They were indeed the "architects of musical form;" the precepts laid down by them are of the music; their music itself, the life blood of musical thought ever since.

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General Knowledge Answers

1. No man is a hero to his valet.
2. A. Destiny.
3. The Picture of Dorian Gray.
4. Pride and Prejudice.
5. Sixteen.
6. 1830.

Variety Fare

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In future weeks I hope to be able to make some attempt at tracing musical development from 1750 onwards. And so to the week's programmes.

SUNDAY

THE usual two-part Symphony Concert is scheduled for 9.15 p.m. to-night, when the programme arranged is:

Carnival Romaine Overture	Berlioz
Concerto for Horn in E Flat	Mozart
Siegfried Idyll	Wagner
Violin Concerto	Elgar

BERLIOZ' "Carnival Romaine" Overture is a good example of a soundly composed overture of standard type. Many composers have written overtures. Probably for the reason that they are in their best form, miniature symphonies. Some of them to wit, Beethoven's *Leonora* No. 3, "William Tell" by Rossini, and Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro" have become classics in themselves, divorced from their proper role as prelude to the opera. Berlioz' composition was written purely and simply as an overture, and in it he displays that significant touch of brilliant orchestration which so typifies his operatic works, such as "Les Tragicènes de Carthage" and his tone-poem "Harold in Italy."

Again the programme is graced with the ever welcome presence of Mozart. The Horn Concerto is played with Aubrey Brain as soloist. Aubrey Brain must be the outstanding player of this difficult instrument, and has for many years been first horn player with the B.B.C. and other leading British orchestras.

NORMALLY, the horn, although a brass instrument, is so mellow in tone that it merges more with the wood-wind. It is seldom given an opportunity to be heard as a solo instrument. This fact, coupled with the magic of Mozart's music and the superb technique of Aubrey Brain, makes this Concerto all the more welcome.

Elgar's Violin Concerto has been heard before over the air here, but at the risk of repetition, I feel a few comments on it cannot be avoided.

It is a work wholly charming in its entire conception and ranks with the Sibellus Concerto as one of the outstanding contributions to the violin's repertoire in the 20th century. I believe—if my memory does not fail me—that Yehudi Menuhin gave it a first performance in England at the Albert Hall way back in about 1932 or 1933. Elgar has lavished on this work all the full beauty of orchestration of which he was capable, and this recording makes an exceptionally interesting item.

MONDAY

ON Monday night at 9.30 p.m. there is a radio adaptation of "Jupiter Laughs," by Dr. A. J. Cronin, with James Mason playing Dr. Paul Venner. Dr. Cronin's books I find a little sordid at times and possibly even unnerving. He preaches a doctrine which sets Harley Street by the ears, but as a doctor himself presumably has some basis for his belief. "The Citadel," "The Stars Look Down," "Hatter's Castle," and "Grand Canary" have all been filmed.

THURSDAY

TWO Thursday night programmes call for emphasis. At 8.10 p.m. there is a short programme of classical music, including:

"Magic Flute" Overture	Mozart
"Deplus le Jour" from "Louise"	Charpentier

"O Mio Babbino Caro" — Puccini
As a comparison in style to the Berlioz overture of Sunday in the Symphony concert the "Magic Flute" is an interesting, if accidental choice. The magic of Mozart's music is as clearly discernible here as in his many other works.

Charpentier's seldom-heard "Louise" is a French opera with some delightful music that deserves more frequent audition than is the case. Joan Hammond sings "Louise" well-known aria in tonight's recording.

At 8.40 p.m. Chopin's Second Piano-forte Concerto is to be heard. As with

New Books

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Style, said Edward Gibbon, who spoke with high authority, must reflect the tastes and disposition of the individual writer, and, if one had nothing but style to go on both from *The Jungle Is Neutral* and *All I Could Never Be* one might build up an exceedingly vivid impression of the individual brain behind it.

Authors could scarcely be more unlike. Spencer Chapman is as calm and reserved as Beverley Nichols is communicative; but this reserve form a sober background from which the personal portrait stands out.

It is the portrait of a peace-time schoolmaster, with a taste (which he has been able to indulge) for adventurous foreign holidays, who carried into the depths of the knowledge he had acquired in Canada, Tibet, and Greenland.

One feels sure that he was the kind of man whose rucksack was always well packed and whose climbing boots were in such good shape that they never caused him blisters. A pocket edition of a favourite classic would invariably be concealed among the Ordnance maps and clean socks.

To the jungle, where he won the D.S.O. and spent more than three years behind the Japanese lines, sabotaging road convoys and mining railway lines and bridges, he took not only courage (of which he had an enviable supply) but abundant natural common sense.

The forest, he soon decided, was neither friendly nor unfriendly. Its dangers were very real, but they could be circumvented—provided that the traveller kept his head, which for the average European proved often somewhat difficult.

And he gives a pathetic account of a group of chance-met British soldiers, dying not of any disease but of the horror and despair and bewilderment with which their strange surroundings filled them.

Not that he himself emerged unscathed. Again and again he was laid by fierce attacks of fever, ulcers gnawed at his flesh and "tick-typhus" left him prostrate.

But he refused to abandon hope and interest, and—no doubt even more important—he remained alert and inquisitive wherever fortune flung him, still fascinated by the life of the forest, its plants and birds and animals, though the animals he saw were few and much of his time was spent in semi-darkness while hundreds of feet above his head

the No. 1 heard a fortnight or so ago, the main interest lies in the solo piano part. The orchestral background is largely poor compared with the standard Chopin set in his piano-music. No one has ever satisfactorily explained quite why Chopin's sense of orchestration qualified before an orchestra score.

SATURDAY

ACT II of Verdi's "Aida" is to be heard on Saturday night. An outstanding cast includes Gligli as "Ramades," Caniglia as "Aida" and Stignani, three of the finest singers Italy has given the operatic world.

Verdi wrote "Aida" at the request of the Khedive of Cairo to celebrate the opening of the Suez Canal. Appropriately enough Verdi chose a libretto with an Egyptian background, probably from compliment to the Khedive. Into it, he has poured a wealth of lovely melody of which he was past-master. The whole opera is one of the loveliest he ever wrote, far surpassing in style the earlier "Trovatore" and "Rigoletto." He was more fortunate in his selection of libretto for "Aida," since the story is devoid of the twisted tangles which characterise "Il Trovatore." I look forward to hearing this, which, with the artists already mentioned, cannot fail to be good listening.

tropical sunlight blazed across the dense and flowery tree-tops.

A tale of daring and cunning, of heroism and stoicism: altogether one of the best stories of war-adventure published since VJ-Day.

"All I Could Never Be," on the other hand, strikes a confidential note repeatedly and unashamedly.

In his earlier books Beverley Nichols' literary method was apt to suggest a slick and streamlined soda-fountain, planned, at the tug of a lever, to emit half a dozen jets of gaudily coloured and richly flavoured syrup. His latest production is perhaps a shade more vitriolic, and some of his candid-camera shots—for instance, of various celebrated hostesses who at one period entertained him, and of Dame Nellie Melba, whom he accompanied on her triumphal world tour—seem unexpectedly, almost alarmingly savage, from the author of "A Thatched Roof."

However, as he hastens to remind his public, "there are no manners in art—there is only style." True enough. But one must be confident one possesses a style before one throws one's manners overboard.

Putting aside the question of style and manners, I am obliged to admit that his new sheaf of recollections provides much rattling entertainment.

In his more acid vein he is sometimes remarkably funny; but most of all I enjoyed the romantic closing paragraph. He had suffered, he tells us, from a mood of dark discouragement, and had begun to ask bitterly what his literary work was good for. . . . Gradually the answer came:

"I said to myself: 'Perhaps because one has lived, some dog has found a home, some bird has been set free, some kitten has been stroked.'"

May I associate myself with the thanks of grateful dogs and kittens? Though the good deed was not always intentional, Beverley Nichols during the past 15 years has greatly added to my gaiety.

QUICK LOOKS

Gods Without Reason, by C. F. Blacketer. (Eyre and Spottiswoode, 10s. 6d.)

Recommended pendant to "The Jungle Is Neutral" the story—at times unbearably painful—of British prisoners in Japanese hands, told by an officer whose unit was overwhelmed at Singapore.

Keeping Chickens for Profit, by Alan Thompson. (Country Books, Nicholson and Watson, 6s.)

An excellent guide by the editor of "The Poultry Farmer" to the profitable cultivation of this useful but unattractive bird.

Steering by a Star, by Ruby M. Ayres. (Hodder and Stoughton, 8s. 6d., Monday.)

Ruby M. Ayres knows what her public wants. She provides it for their delectation pressed down and brimming over.

Letters from a Lost Uncle, by Mervyn Peake. (Eyre & Spottiswoode, 3s. 6d.)

An original and amusing children's book, written and illustrated by the same hand. Recommended as a gift for intelligent and imaginative young friends.

NEWS QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Mr. Leonard Gamman, M.P.
2. That any ranker should have as a member of the court, one man of his own rank.
3. Mauritius.
4. That aid will only be given to those countries which agree to co-ordinate their military policies with the United States.
5. Through the American news agency, International News.
6. The Mapai, the party of Mr. Ben-Gurion.

REASONS IN WRITING

What makes a writer write is a problem that, year after year, has engaged the attention, and usually baffled the inquisitiveness, of many curious readers.

How much writing do we owe to the force of habit?—Certainly nine out of ten books by established modern novelists. How much to the thirst for fame or money?—Well, nobody is averse to renown, and as to earning money, Samuel Johnson once remarked that no honest man would pretend to put pen to paper with any other object.

But we cannot discount the genuine creative passion. To construct something that we believe we do with skill, have been, since the beginning of civilisation, among the highest human pleasures.

A slim volume, entitled *Why Do I Write?* described as "An Exchange of Views between Elizabeth Bowen, Graham Greene, and V. S. Pritchett," promises more than it performs.

Still, all three have occasional gleams to shed; and Elizabeth Bowen, whom I regard as the best woman story-teller in England or the United States, provides an interesting commentary on her own creative impulses.

A Substitute

She writes in order to complete herself. "I am fully intelligent (she declares) only when I write."

And elsewhere: "Perhaps one emotional reason why one may write is the need to work off, out of the system, the sense of being solitary and farouche."

If you and I were capable of being altogether house-trained and made jolly, we should be nicer people, but not writers. . . . My writing, I am prepared to think, may be a substitute for something I have been born without—a so-called normal relation to society. My books are my relation to society."

Neither of her fellow writers, I imagine, would wholeheartedly dissent from Elizabeth Bowen's theory—that a writer aspires to become, in the world of the imagination, a more complete and harmonious character than he can expect to be in real life. Yet, although there may be a general agreement, every author approaches his task from a slightly different point of view.

Thus, of the three books on my table today, *Brave and Cruel* appears to have been written because Denton Welch delights in the use of words and enjoys the exquisite perplexity of building sentences and paragraphs. Valerie, because Morchard Elshop is passionately concerned with the behaviour of his fellow human beings; and Born 1925, because Vera Britain longs to preach a sermon.

Word Artist

Denton Welch, in fact, is primarily the artist. His stories, both pleasant and unpleasant—and when they are unpleasant, few writers can produce an effect of such subtle discomfort or such pervasive moral queasiness—show a remarkable command of language and a gift of conveying atmosphere that seldom fails to strike home.

Psychological penetration rather than stylistic distinction is Morchard Elshop's strong suit; and "Valerie" is the tale of a woman who, for reasons mysterious to herself, but which the novelist has great fun in deftly disentangling, marries a man whom she dislikes and despises, and gradually fritters away the birth-right of beauty and gaiety with which nature has endowed her. A sad story, soberly related; but I found it very readable.

Last, a message from a progressive pulpit. "Born 1925" may be a contribution to world peace, but it has not much to do with literature. A high-minded father begets a high-minded son; and they unite to give a high-minded representation of the eternal conflict between youth and age.

The narrative concludes on a cautiously hopeful note. There is enough bromide in the closing paragraph to soothe the nervous anguish of half a dozen hangovers.

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Stilton
Butter
Eggs

Whisky

Something for women

Somehow it seemed to us to be very symbolical of those happy days—days when a man could throw a party at will by nonchalantly scribbling a few words on the back of an envelope.

Just to see what a modern shopping list might look like to our heirs and descendants, we decided to bring that old one up to date before putting it back in our golf coat. It now reads:

No Stilton
No butter
No eggs
No whisky

Nothing for women

Very symbolical, we think. Very sad (we hope) for our heirs and descendants.

Oh, poor Grand-papa

The news in headlines

(classified for the

puzzled foreigner)

Fed-up Vegetable

"POTATO GRUMBLES"

Interstellar Health Service

"CURE FOR STARS"

Irate Counties in Painful Scene

"ESSEX SHAKEN BY

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How To Find Lane Norcott

If you don't see him at a glance—and you won't—then look for him carefully. Perhaps he is:

(1) Hidden behind the Fog Belt in the Weather Report.

(2) Accidentally included as a Solution in the Crossword.

(3) Used as a Footnote to Don Iddon's Diary.

(4) Hopelessly lost in one of those lush valleys that nestle in the warm South of Miss Temple's Human Case-book.

There is a Lane Norcott for all who have the patience and strength to find him. Think of that!

GOOD GRACIOUS!

7 a.m.—Rise and heat water in kettle according to instructions by Ministry of Fuel. Infuse tea correctly (Food Facts No. 638) as advised by Ministry of Food, and cut myself a piece of bread-and-butter (Food Facts No. 821).

7.30 a.m.—Run cautiously for bus, as recommended by Ministry of Transport, but keep sharp look-out for cigarette ends on own initiative.

7.35 a.m.—No buses because of lightning strike. Decide to go by train, but hesitate to cross road for fear of the Traffic Jimp. Miss 8.5. Catch 8.23.

8.30 a.m.—Read newspaper nervously. Note there are now 17 killers at large and we must all work harder and smoke less. Sneeze into handkerchief according to instructions by Ministry of Health.

9.5 a.m.—Arrive late at office. B. in bad temper because his car was stolen in the night. C. says his bicycle was stolen last week. Ask C. for cigarette and am reprimanded by B. for neglecting my work. Hungry.

1 p.m.—Join queue for lunch.

1.2 to 1.15 p.m.—Study Government posters on boardings while waiting. Note various cautions and safety measures.

1.20 p.m.—Lunch. (Snoek Hash Mash, Food Facts 632 rebolled.)

1.30 to 1.55 p.m.—Queue for cigarettes. Sold out.

2 to 5 p.m.—Office. Find I work less if I smoke less. Wonder if Miss

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Over to You

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

- Plutarch wrote: When Hermodotus described Antigonus as the son of Helios, he added: "My valet-de-chambre is not aware of this." What is the modern twist to this?
- Sow A Thought and you reap an Act
Sow an Act and you reap a Habit
Sow a Habit and you reap a Character
Sow a Character and you reap— (What?)
- When a woman marries again it is because she detested her first husband. When a man marries again it is because he adored his first wife. Women try their luck: men risk theirs. Where does this come from?
- Jane Austen's wit gave vent to this "Mrs. Bennet was restored to her usual querulous serenity." What was the book?
- How many different parties contested Britain's general election in 1945? If you are correct within two you are doing well.
- In what year was the planet Pluto discovered?

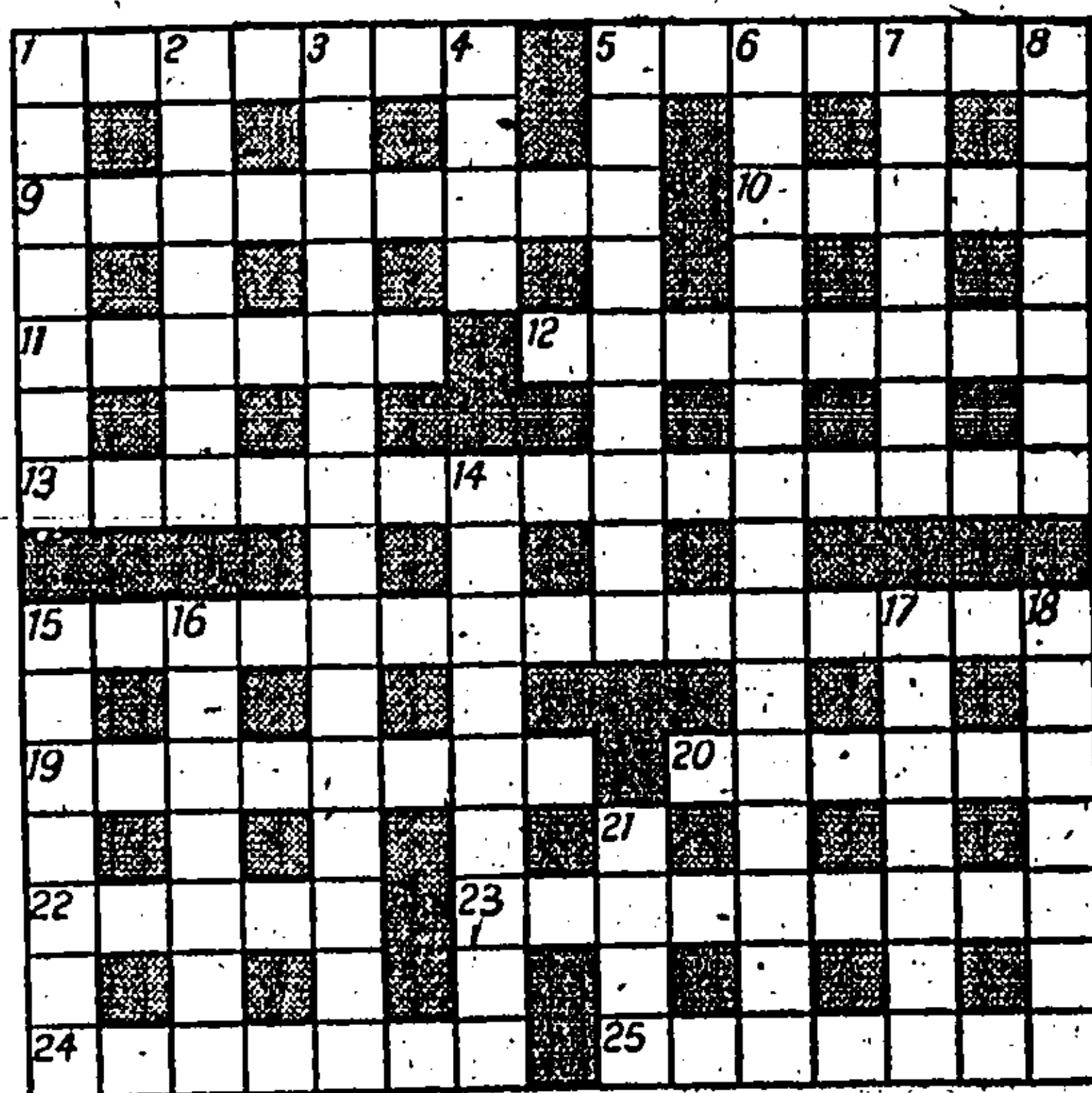
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NEWS QUIZ

- A recent visitor to Hong Kong insisted that the Malayan Government should be more aggressive in tackling the guerillas. Who is he?
- An interesting suggestion was made to vary court-martial procedure in favour of an accused. Can you recall the general idea?
- Mr. Bevin rejected a suggestion that the Dutch Air Lines should not be permitted to use a British island in the Indian Ocean. What island is involved?
- Washington dropped a hint to Europe on its policy regarding military supplies. It was directed chiefly towards the Scandinavian countries, but what was the point?
- Stalin made a so-called peace offer with an invitation for a meeting with President Truman. How was the gesture made?
- Which party gained the greatest number of votes in the Israeli election?

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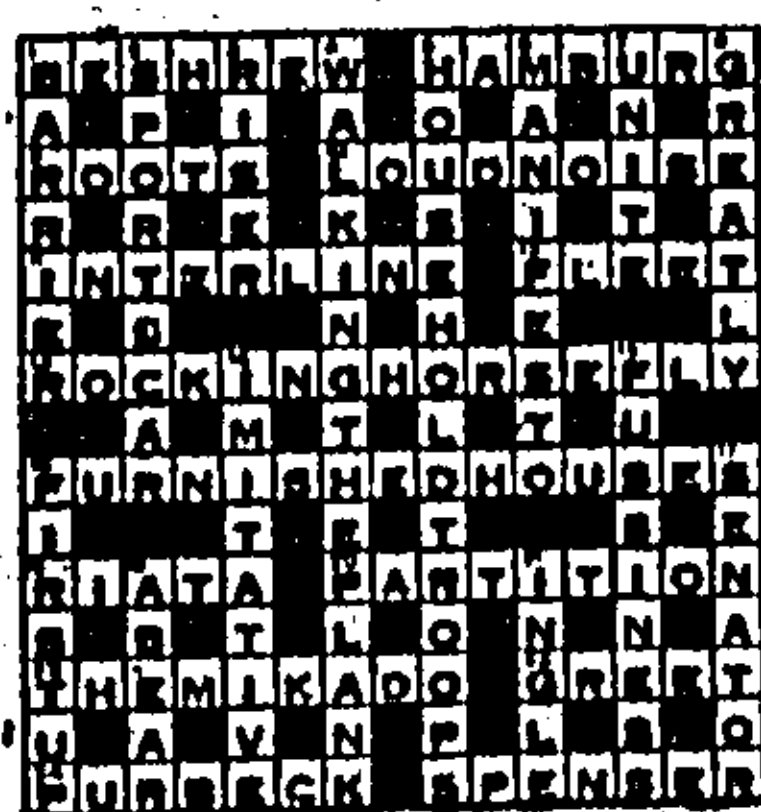
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ACROSS

- Father in tatters? Yet an excellent model. (7)
- If he does, it's in his 'tough. (7)
- O, it gets confused in the common. (9)
- Ties across to be thus. (5)
- Arrive shortly in lodging where 5 is served. (6)
- The second helps the first to keep close on foot. (8)
- Suitable for producing rush hour meals presumably. (8, 7)

SOLUTION TO NO. 92



DOWN

- Puskap. (5, 2)
- Period of inclination to rush about. (7)
- Made and re-made at 18. (4, 11)
- Often comes under the hammer. (4)
- Was it a good-looking turnout? (6, 3)
- Parliamentary notability. (5, 10)
- I meant a different make-up. (7)
- There are entirely overhead expenses. (7)
- Useful for potting the bird, no doubt in both senses. (4, 5)
- Rat bite on Father's head. (7)
- The passing of a star perhaps. (7)
- Finished up when the party guests have left. (3, 4)
- See 3. (3, 4)
- Is this a mug's island in the Pacific? (4)



PILSNER

BRIDGE

A comprehensive view of bidding is obtained by dividing it into three zones: 1, part-score bids at the levels of one and two; 2, game-zone bids at the levels of three, four and sometimes five; and 3, slam-zone bids at the levels of five and more.

A player should succeed in nearly 70 per cent of his part-score contracts and in just over 60 per cent of his game-zone contracts and in 50 per cent of his slam-zone contracts.

It is in game-zone bidding (at the intermediate levels) that the difference between players is most marked. Costly overbidding is more usual in this zone. At a recent congress a new partnership played in four "pairs" competitions with the following results: first session bottom place but one, second session fifth place, third session second place, fourth session first place. The remarkable improvement was due to an overhaul of the partnership calling in the intermediate levels and to the suppression of overbidding. The urge to convert a bid of three in a minor suit into a game bid (on inadequate values) was overcome. In borderline situations of competitive bidding the urge to bid riskily rather than pass was also overcome.

At the level of three, bidding is already much more dangerous. In almost every rubber the following Pass, South Pass, West Pass, North One Heart, East Pass, South Two Clubs, West Two Spades. North holds:

S 10 9 3 D A J 10 5

H A K 8 7 5 3 C none

He cannot now bid at a lower level than three, the dangerous level. If he bids Three Hearts, he is down one (vulnerable); if he passes, West is down two (not vulnerable). The swing is 200 points. How many would refrain from rebidding? That's because of the now dangerous level?

(Continued from Col. 1)

Y's stockings are real nylons. Wonder if I could sell my post-war credits for cash.

5.15 p.m.—Call at hairdresser's. Barber tells me his aunt was attacked by a masked bandit last night. Decide (on my own initiative) to go home by train.

6.2 p.m.—Lightning strike of station officials. Walk carefully to bus stop, remembering the Traffic Jimp, Safety First, the Road Code, and other helpful advice.

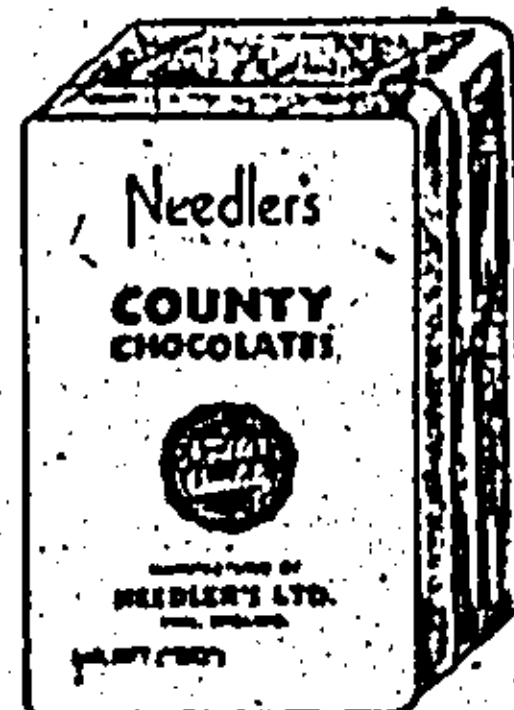
7.6 p.m.—Arrive home safely. Flat burgled again.

8 p.m.—Dinner. (Left-over Food Facts 736, heated up by Martha on her own initiative.)

9.15 p.m.—Listen to "Authority and the Individual" on the radio.

10 p.m.—Go to bed.

10.3 to 10.18 p.m.—Wonder about Miss Y. Wonder about Martha. Wonder if I am an individual. Must ask my dad.



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COMMUNISTS TAKE OVER PEIPING MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

New Mayor Predicts All Red China In Year

Peiping, February 5.

Communists today took over the Peiping Municipal Government.

Karens Fail To Break Cordon

Rangoon, February 4. Government artillery today poured shells into Karen insurgent positions in the town of Insein, 11 miles north of Rangoon, while the tribesmen fought all day to smash through the encircling Government lines. It was officially stated here.

Tonight's military communiqué said the Karens suffered heavy casualties trying to break through the Government's steel cordon and some groups had taken refuge in the thick jungle.

A Government spokesman said confused fighting raged fiercely today round Insein's burnt-out goal, from which the Karens last night released 1,602 prisoners, including David Vivian, a former British Army captain.

Vivian's present whereabouts are unknown. He was serving five years' "rigorous imprisonment" for violating Burma's Arms Act.

The Karens—Burma's largest minority—have made Toungoo, 175 miles north of Rangoon, their central Burma stronghold, and are advancing south along the main railway, pro-Government sources stated.

At Patu, 40 miles north of the capital, Government troops killed 30 Karens in sharp fighting today. The National Defence Organisation of the Mon tribesmen, who joined hands with the Karens in South Burma, has been declared illegal.

Penang's Grievances

Penang, February 5. A large scale movement is growing in favour of Penang's secession from the Federation of Malaya.

Supporters of the movement want the territory to become a Crown Colony like Singapore.

The main reason for the agitation is that Penang, Malaya's second port, feels that it is discriminated against in favour of Singapore.

Word reaching Penang from London, however, is that it is "extremely unlikely" that Britain will support the Crown Colony movement. The High Commissioner, Sir Edward Gurney, has said that Penang's grievances must be taken care of without altering the Federation's present constitution.—Associated Press.

ISRAELI MISSION TO CANADA

Washington, Feb. 4. Ollie Epstein, Israeli's special representative to the United States, announced today that he is leaving Washington on Sunday for a brief visit to Ottawa.

He will meet there the Canadian Ministers of External Affairs, Finance and Trade, the United States Ambassador, Leonard Steinhardt and Dominion Jewish leaders. He will be accompanied by his wife Colonel Ben Arzi, Israeli Military in Washington, and Gideon Strauss, Israeli's Vice Consul in New York.—Reuter.

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Singapore War Decorations

Singapore, February 4. Three British soldiers, four Gurkhas and one Malay have been awarded the Military Medal and one Malay the British Empire Medal for gallantry in the anti-terrorist campaign in Malaya. It was officially announced here tonight.

The British soldiers were Private Kenneth Osborne (Devonshire Regiment) and Lance Corporal Trevor Chapman and Private Leonard Thorpe (both of the First Battalion Seaforth Highlanders).

The Gurkhas were Sergeant Dill Bahadur Rani, Corporal Mung Aung Hsing, Lance Corporal Kambaring Rai and Corporal Hartan Rai.—Reuter.

French Still Optimistic

Paris, February 4. M. Robert Bétolaud, the French Minister for Ex-Servicemen's Affairs, said today that France was determined to keep her pledges and give the population of Vietnam the independence she has promised them within the framework of the French Union.

M. Bétolaud, speaking at Toulon to French soldiers home from Indo-China, expressed optimism about the present Franco-Vietnam talks. He added that no negotiations were possible with the leaders of the Communist Vietnam, the extreme left Vietnamese Nationalists led by Dr. Ho Chi-minh.—Reuter.

WARM TRIBUTE TO PANDIT NEHRU

London, February 4.

A correspondent in the influential weekly, *The Economist*, said today that Pandit Nehru's place in the hearts of the people of India was second only to Gandhi's.

"For there is no one quicker than the Indian public to recognise those who hold their welfare first. But he is a tiresome Minister for his officials, so accessible to all but them," he added.

"Yet, those who work closest to him like him best, for he is always considerate, never despotic."

"Pandit Nehru's fight against prejudice, ignorance and communalism is unsparring."

"In the Bihar and Punjab riots he risked his own life to bring peace: everywhere the flame of his courage and his conviction carried him through in safety and enabled him to bring protection to the afflicted he had come to help."

"He has never wavered in his support of the secular state."

"He enjoys a fight, perhaps the more because he is slight and highly-strung. When moved, as when speaking on the Independence resolution in the Constituent Assembly, he is a very great orator."

"A friend of Cripps and Gandhi, whose years in jail have made principles out of his ideas, now brings to Asian politics a power of mind and spirit without equal. He has shown in opposition and in power his belief in democracy, in freedom and in India: now in power, he is making facts out of his ideals."—Reuter.

Chindit Force Urged To Save Malaya

London, February 4.

A call for 5,000 volunteers of the Chindit type to deal with the killers in Malaya, "more brutal and senseless than any jungle beast," was made in the *"Spectator"* today by Mr. R. S. C. Herring, one of the Malayan American plantation managers now on furlough in Britain.

His letter was given space of more than half a page. "Unless the public and the Government realise how desperate is the race for time in Malaya," he wrote, "this year may well see the collapse of the British regime in that country."

"The race is not between a powerful Communist army and the British forces. It is between the endurance of a handful of planters and miners—about 2,000 in all—who hold the country on their shoulders, and the inadequate efforts now being made to combat terrorism in Malaya."

"Most planters are convinced that the present methods against the bandits cannot succeed. Crime still pays in Malaya and will continue to do so while rich Chinese pay protection money and shop-keepers supply the killers with food."

"All honour to the Malayan police who have done and are doing a magnificent job and to the Malayan Regiment, Gurkhas and British troops. But protection is insufficient. Malaya needs men of the Chindit tradition, individuals of the jungle."

The *Spectator* commented editorially: "The challenge is one which we faced and failed to

British Trade With Denmark

London, February 3.

Britain and Denmark should discuss the possibility of Denmark's buying raw materials and other essential goods from Britain, acting Military Attaché to the Danish Embassy in London, said at a Rotary Club luncheon here today.

The trade discussions should not only be on the export of Danish food to Britain, he said. "We also have our own difficulties to settle," he added.

"We cannot commit ourselves to deliver substantial quantities of our food to Britain if we cannot get promises of essential goods from Britain such as iron, steel, coal, rubber and textiles."

"Britain in many ways needs our goods, and we need British goods very badly. We wish to maintain our trade connections with Britain for all the future."

Earlier, Prince George had toured the Manchester ship canal and watched merchant ships unloading goods from all parts of the world.—Reuter.

Giulio Cesare On Way To Odessa

Istanbul, February 4. The former Italian battleship, *Giulio Cesare*, transferred to Russia under the terms of the Italian peace treaty, passed through the Turkish Straits in a snowstorm today on her way to Odessa.

The *Giulio Cesare*, which was flying the Russian flag, passed five United States warships leaving Turkish waters for Crete and the Suez after an eight-day visit to Istanbul.—Reuter.

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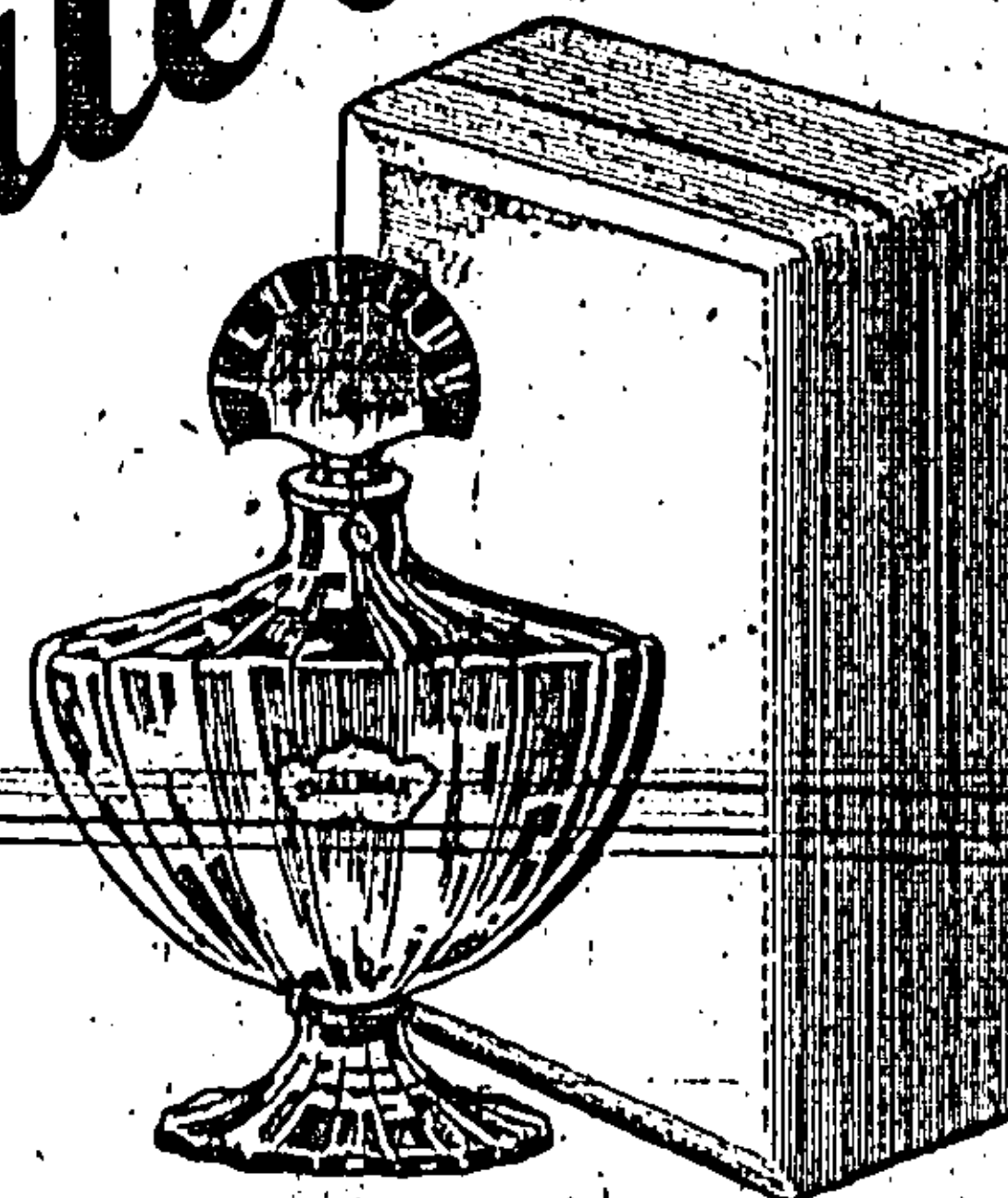
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"STRAAT SOENDA"

Arrivals	Sailings
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"BOISSEVAL"

Arrivals	Sailings
from South Africa 12th February.	to South Africa & South America 18th April.

"STRAAT MALAKKA"

Arrivals	Sailings
from South Africa 12th February.	to South Africa & South America 12th May.

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LONDON TO OPEN FINANCIAL TALKS WITH MALAYAN GOVT

London, February 5.

The Colonial Office announced yesterday that Britain will soon begin financial talks "covering the widest range" with the Malayan Federation and Singapore Governments.

An authoritative source said, "although at the moment no definite proposals are under study for meeting the costs of jungle warfare (against revolting Malayan Communists), there is a distinct possibility that the British Government loan to the Malayan Federation will come up in a concrete form."

New York Stock Exchange

New York, February 5.

Demand for stocks faded abruptly and closing prices were down fractions to around five points—at or near lows for the day.

The general price level displayed considerable stability at the opening, then suddenly started to decline. The market was heavily influenced by the news of the price concessions, amounting to more than 1,000,000 shares.

Superior Oil of California and Shell Oil lost five points apiece and set back of one to three were posted for Standard Oil of New Jersey, Mission Corporation, Gulf Oil and Texas Company, Croco, traded on the curb, dipped more than a point.

Others in the minus columns included U.R. Steel, Youngstown Sheet & Tube, General Motors, Chrysler, Bethlehem Steel, American Tobacco, 65 1/2, American Waterworks, 7 1/2, Anaconda Copper, 35 1/2, American Locomotive, 11 1/2, Barnard 44 1/2, Bendix Aviation, 23 1/2, Bethlehem Steel, 31 1/2, Boeing Airplane, 20 1/2, Borden Co., 40 1/2, Canadian Pacific, 13 1/2, J.I. Case, 35 1/2, Chrysler, 64 1/2, Colgate, 29 1/2, Commercial Solvents, 17 1/2, Corn Products, 42 1/2, Du Pont, 18 1/2, Eastman Kodak, 44 1/2, Electric Light & Power, 22 1/2, General Electric, 37 1/2, General Motors, 61 1/2, Goodrich, 59 1/2, Goodyear, 43 1/2, Homestead Mining, 30 1/2, International Paper, 47 1/2, International Nickel, 24 1/2, John Hancock, 38 1/2, Kennecott Copper, 40 1/2, Montgomery Ward, 24 1/2, National Distillers, 17 1/2, National Lead, 31 1/2, National Central, 14 1/2, Packard Motor, 41 1/2, Pan American Airways, 43 1/2, Pennsylvania, 14 1/2, Republic Steel, 24 1/2, Reynolds Tobacco, 38 1/2, Sears Roebuck, 37 1/2, Shell Oil, 34 1/2, Socony Vacuum, 16 1/2, Southern Pacific, 44 1/2, Standard Brands, 18 1/2, Standard Oil of Calif., 61 1/2, Standard Oil of N.J., 68 1/2, Studebaker, 17 1/2, Union Bag, 28 1/2, United Caride, 38 1/2, Rubber, 40 1/2, U.S. Steel, 28 1/2, U.S. Lines, 13 1/2, Westinghouse, 24 1/2, Youngstown Sheet & Tube, 70 1/2, Gen. Pub. Utilities, 12 1/2, Associated Press.

Financial Conversations

Mr. Harry T. Boudillon, chief of the Colonial Office Financial Department, will leave by air on February 23 to begin financial conversations with the two governments.

A spokesman said that after the spot talks with Malayan and Singapore authorities on how the costs of fighting the Communists can be met or barred, he "is expected to bring back specific proposals to the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones."

SILVER AND GOLD MARKETS

London: Silver, Spot fine ounce 42 1/2; Forward ounce 42 1/2; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce 172 3/4; New York Silver, Bar, (asked price) 70 cts; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce (official) 35.

Bombay: Silver, Ready, per 100 tolas Rupees 187, Annas 04; Forward per 100 tolas no trading; Marwari (unofficial) no trading; Gold, delivered, per tola 117, 12; Forward (unofficial) no trading; Gold, Sovereign 75, 10. One tola is equal to 3/8th of an ounce.

Bangkok: Gold, Bar, baht-weight of 15.244 Grammes Unquoted; Exchange Rate (Selling), Bangkok on New York T.T. 1987; London 61.05; Hong Kong 3.88.

Alexandria: Fine Gold (Dirhem) 148; Egyptian pound (Fouad) 450; Sovereign (King) 408; Sovereign (Queen) 403; Napoleon (Louis) 330; Union Latine (1 coin of 20 francs gold) 200; Turkish Gold coin of 5 dollars (American gold coin of 5 dollars) 430; Pure Silver (per Kilo) 800.

Paris Free Gold Prices: Napoleon 5,800 Frs. French 10 franc coins 2,600; Swiss franc 5,625; Union Latine 5,300; Sovereign 7,075; Half Sovereign 3,230; U.S. \$ 20 Coin 27,700; U.S. \$ 10 Coin 13,450; Sovereign (in free U.S. \$ per ounce) 94.1; Napoleon (in free U.S. \$ per ounce) 97.3; U.S. Dollar notes (in black-market) 480.

Buenos Aires, February 5. President Peron announced on Friday he will present a Jean Pierre Wimille trophy in honour of the French motor racer killed in a recent racing trials accident in Buenos Aires.—Associated Press.

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London Stock Exchange

London, February 4.

After a period of doubt, during which prices were inclined to sag, London's Kaifir market staged a sharp recovery today. Local buying of developers and producers found the market rather short of stock.

Elsewhere, firmness was shown by foreign utilities with Argentine and Brazilian Government bonds leading the way, reduced some of the gains.

Trading was generally rather small but among industrial tobacco and brewery issues received support and prices showed useful improvements.

Oils were mainly dull but there was renewed buying of Ultramarine stocks were changes in Government stocks were few and far between. Long-dated issues were occasionally harder in quiet trading.

Among foreigners, Hungarians advanced on modest inquiry but otherwise this section remained without interest.

SECURITIES:
British Consols, 2 1/2%, 1914-15, 114 1/2
Conversion Loan, 3 1/2%, 1911-12, 107 1/2
Funding Loan, 4 1/2%, 1910-11, 114 1/2
War Loan, 4 1/2%, 1915-16, 108 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2%, 1916-17, 108 1/2
Victory Bonds, 4%, 115 1/2

INDUSTRIALS:
British American Tobacco (of G.B. & Ireland), 47 1/2
Imperial Chemical Indust. ord., 47 1/2
Imperial Tobacco Co. (of G.B. & Ireland), 6 1/2

TEA SHARES:
Assam Consolidated Tea, 31 1/2
Assam Frontier Tea, 14 1/2
Assam Tea Company, 25 1/2
Dooars Tea Company, 27 1/2
Emp. of India & Ceylon Tea Co., 17 1/2
Imperial Tea Company, 26 1/2

MINE SHARES:
Dumfriesshire, 5 1/2
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OIL SHARES:
Royal Dutch Co., 23 1/2
Shell Transport & Trading Co., 23 1/2
P. & O. Steam Nav. Co. ord., 51 1/2

GILT-EDGED:
Funding Loan, 105 1/2
National War Bonds, 2 1/2%, 104 1/2
1919/21, 105 1/2
1925/28, 105 1/2
1930/34, 105 1/2
1935/38, 105 1/2

FOREIGN BONDS:
German Loan (Dawes), 7 1/2
Japanese 5%, 1907/17, 28 1/2
Japanese 6%, 1924/29, 27 1/2
Japan S. Manchurian Ry., 6%, 1923, 15 1/2

RAILWAYS:
Chartered Bank of I. A. & C., 11 1/2
Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, 103
Mercantile Bank of India, 4 1/2
CHINESE EXTERNAL LANS:
Tientsin-Pukow Railway, 5 1/2
Yung-Tsing-Hai-Ry., 5 1/2, 101 1/2
Reorg. Loan, 5 1/2, 101 1/2
Crisp Loan, 5 1/2, 101 1/2
Hukang Railway, 5 1/2, 101 1/2
Honan Railway, 5 1/2, 101 1/2
Shanghai-Nanking Ry., 5 1/2, 101 1/2
Kowloon-Canton Railway, 5 1/2, 101 1/2
Sterling Bonds, 10
—Reuter.

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Athens, February 5.

The new Greek coalition cabinet won a vote of confidence from Parliament on Friday by 245 votes against 50 with one abstention. Forty-eight deputies were absent. The Government headed by 68-year-old Themistocles Sofoulis was once again entrusted to suppress the three-year-old rebellion and restore economic Greece.—Associated Press.

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TRADE TALKS

Vienna, February 4.

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Preliminary negotiations have already begun in Vienna.—Reuter.

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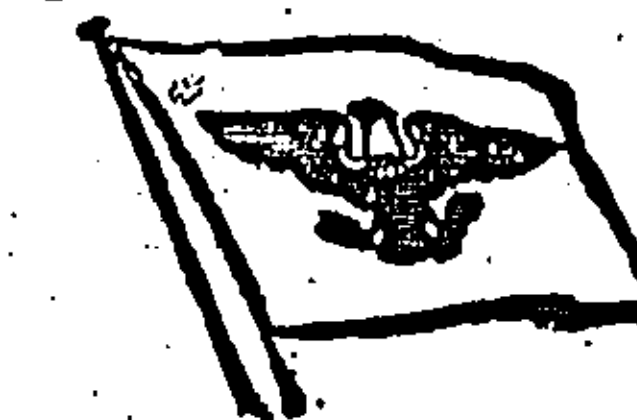
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SAILING TO		
S.S. "ST. MICHEL"	Batavia via Hongkong	on/for about 5th Feb.
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Shipping Intelligence

Shipping Arrivals

YESTERDAY

HIN SANG (Jardine) ex-Batavia, 2,222 tons,
Poonchong, G.R. Harris, 112
HIRAM (Thoresen), Norwegian, 1,100
tons, ex-Batavia, S. Olsen, 109
MARINE SNAPPER (APL), American,
10,000 tons, ex-USA, Marston, K. W.
UNION PIONEER (Everett), Chinese,
2,046 tons, ex-Batavia, A. Ramsay, 18

TODAY

AMERICAN MAIL (Everett) ex-Atlantic
Coast.
CHAK SANG (Jardine) ex-Calcutta,
P. & T. Forrester, (Gouille) ex-New
York.
TIEVEAN (Mac Mac) ex-Japan, and
Shanghai.
TEINAN (B & S) ex-Batavia.

TOMORROW

MANDEVILLE (Thoresen) ex-Atlantic
Coast.
PRESIDENT POLK (APL) ex-San Fran-
cisco.
VAN RIEMSDURK (HIL) ex-Shanghai.

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

DAVIKEN (Johanson) for Swatow.
FURLEN (Johanson) for Swatow.
HAI KANG (CMRN) for Shanghai.
HENRY M. STEVENS (URL) for Japan.
YOCOW (B & S) for Shanghai.

TODAY

ANCHISES (B & S) for Havre.
ISLAND MAIL (Everett) for Shanghai.
MARINE SNAPPER (APL) round the
world.
NEW YORK VICTORY (USL) for San
Francisco.

TOMORROW

AMERICAN MAIL (Everett) for Atlantic
Coast.
HAI FUI (CMRN) for Takao.
HERMELIN (Thoresen) for Bangkok.
WINGSANG (Jardine) for Shanghai.

Vessels in Port

ALDERIN (Wallen) Ymt.
ANAKAN (Grimble) HIL Dk.
ANCHISES (B & S) A7
BUBIWOOD (Mac Mac) S. Dk.
CLOVERLOCK (Yick Yuen) Y.M.T.
COMET (H.R. Co.) S. Dk.
COURTIS (K.L. & Co.) S. Dk.
DEEBANK (Bank) Commo Dk.
EASTERN TRADER (H.K. Eastern) T. Dk.
EMPIRE TRIN (Williamson) Y. Dk.
FIREHOLD (H.R. Co.) S. Dk.
FUKWANG (A.P.C.) Port Oiler
HAI TAN (Douglas) K. Dk.
HAI FUI (CMRN) A12
HAIYANG (B & S) H8
HEIKON (W. Fat) D10
HERMELIN (Thoresen) K. Dk.
HINSHANG (Jardine) K. Dk.
HIRAM (Thoresen) H9
HONG BANG (H.R. Co.) Y.M.T.
HONGCHANG (Williamson) Y.M.T.
HONGWELL (Williamson) Ymt.
IRIS (Bulley) Dk.
JANUS (Grimble) Ymt.
LOUIS MOLEY (Wallen) K. Dk.
NANCYANG (B & S) T. Dk.
NEW CHINA (Eastern) K. Dk.
NGO WEE (CMRN) S.S.
NORTH STAR (Gouille) Ymt.
PAKIOI (B & S) Taiiko Dk.
RIVERSIDE (Dodwell) K. Dk.
RUIYI (HIL) K. Dk.
SHANG (B & S) Hote Dk.
SANGA SIA (H.R. Co.) L.C.K.
STORE NORDISKE (Eastern) E.H.
SZCHUEN (B & S) T. Dk.
TUTAJENGA (HIL) T. Dk.
TIANJANG (HIL) T. Dk.
UNION PIONEER (Everett) L.C.K.
WANGPU (B & S) L.C.K.
WINGSANG (Jardine) West Port
YUNG HAO (Jardine) K. Dk.

VESSELS DUE FROM SOUTH AFRICA

STRAAT BOENDA (HIL) Feb.
Mar.
BOISEVAIN (HIL) 31
STRAAT MALAKKA (HIL) 5

AMERICA ATLANTIC COAST

AMERICAN MAIL (Everett) 6
ANGOVAN (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver, Early
ARNOLD MAERSK (Jabson) ex-New
York
BELLEVILLE (Thoresen) K. Dk.
FLYING CLIPPER (Pattison) ex-
New York via Japan, Shanghai.
IDALIO (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver 18
MANDEVILLE (Thoresen) ex-Vancouver
OCEAN MAIL (Everett) ex-Vancouver
P. & T. Forrester (Gouille) ex-
Havre
PIONEER COVE (USL) ex-New York 20
PIONEER WAVE (USL) 15
PIONEER LAKE (USL) ex-NY 23
PRES. GRANT (APL) ex-Baltimore 24
SALLY MAERSK (Jabson) ex-New
York
SELMA SALEN (Hunt) 17
SKAUVANN (Hunt) 13
TONGHAI (Hama) via Los Angeles
and San Francisco 20
TRITON (Dodwell) 20

AMERICA PACIFIC COAST

AJAX (B & S) ex-New York 1
FERNDALE (Thoresen) 18
FERNFIELD (Thoresen) 18
GRETE MAERSK (Jabson) ex-New
York 12
JAVA MAIL (Everett) ex-Vancouver,
Seattle 16
OREGON (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver 16
ROCKSIDE (Dodwell) ex-New York, End
PIONEER COVE (USL) ex-New
York, Boston 24
PIONEER SEA (USL) ex-New York 20
PRES. GRANT (APL) ex-Baltimore 24
STELL NAVIGATOR (Gillman) ex-
Seattle 18
STELLA LYKES (APL) ex-Houston
via Shanghai, Japan 6
TITANIA (Dodwell) 6

AMERICA ATLANTIC COAST

COLARADO (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver 1
HOPEVILLE (Thoresen) 18
PRES. HARRISON (APL) ex-Baltimore 18
TALISMAN (Dodwell) 6
FERNDALE (Thoresen) 18
FERNFIELD (Thoresen) 18
PRES. JOHNSON (APL) ex-Baltimore 18
PRES. FILLMORE (APL) ex-Baltimore 20
CASTLEVILLE (Bank) 27
FLYING DRAGON (USL) ex-Ban-
tiao, Peking 20
GENERAL MEIGS (APL) ex-Shan-
ghai via Yokohama, San Francisco 17
KENNETH MCKAY (APL) ex-New
York 18
LAKELAND VICTORY (USL) ex-Shan-
ghai, Peking 20
LUXEMBURG VICTORY (USL) ex-
San Francisco 25
MOUNT DAVIS (APL) ex-San Fran-
cisco via Los Angeles 15
PRES. CLEVELAND (APL) ex-Ban-
tiao, Peking 20
PRES. WILLMORE (APL) ex-Shan-
ghai via Yokohama, Taku, Har-
bin 25
PRES. MCKINLEY (APL) ex-San
Francisco via Manila 25
PRES. POLK (APL) ex-San Francisco
via Seattle (East Asiatic) 25
CHARLES E. DANT (Dodwell) ex-
Los Angeles, San Francisco 25
GREAT REPUBLIC (USL) ex-San
Francisco 25

MOUNT MANSFIELD (APL) ex-Los

ANAKAN (Grimble) ex-San Francisco 10
SURPRISE (USL) ex-San Francisco 10
ARIZONA (Dodwell) ex-Los Angeles, 18
GEN. MEIGS (APL) ex-San Francisco 18
MONGABARRA (Wallen) 18
PRES. BUCHANAN (APL) ex-Los
Angeles 18
PRES. HARDING (APL) ex-Los
Angeles 18
PRES. VAN BUREN (APL) ex-Los
Angeles 18
SEA BREEZE (USL) ex-San Francisco 18
TANTARA (East Asiatic) 18
PRES. JEFFERSON (APL) ex-Los
Angeles 18

AUSTRALIA

KAPRISTAN (Jardine) 18
CITOS (Dodwell) 18
SANGOLA (HIL) ex-Los Angeles, Mid
NANKIN (E & A) ex-New Zealand, Mid

CHINA

JARRICK-BEND (Everett) ex-Shan-
ghai 18
SHIRALA (HIL) ex-Shanghai 18
STAR BETELGEUSE (Everett) ex-
Shanghai 18
TIEVEAN (P & O) ex-Shanghai 18
THINAN (B & S) ex-Swallow 11
VAN RIEMSDURK (HIL) ex-Shanghai 18
WINGSANG (Jardine) ex-Shanghai 18
LENVEVERETT (Everett) ex-Amoy 18
REDEVERETT (Everett) ex-Shanghai 18

EUROPE

ACHILLES (B & S) ex-UK via Straits 18
BENGAL (Gillman) 18
BENLAWERS (Loxley) ex-UK 2nd
BENLAWERS (Loxley) ex-UK 2nd
BENRECH (Loxley) 9
DALI (Gillman) 15
CARTHAGE (P & O) ex-London 14
GLENGARRY (Jardine) ex-UK 18
MEDON (B & S) ex-UK via Straits 18
MONGOLIA (EAC) 18
RAYWAT (Thoresen) 28
RINKERK (HIL) 17
SALOMON (Loxley) ex-UK 9
SOMALI (P & O) 20
CORFU (P & O) ex-London 21
DENNIGHIRE (Jardine) ex-UK 18
ELPHINOR (B & S) ex-UK via Straits 18
GLENGARRY (Jardine) ex-UK 18
HALLAND (Gillman) 17
KVERNAAS (Thoresen) 18
MANGHUTIA (East Asiatic) 18
MELIKERK (HIL) 17
MORTAIN (MM) 2nd
TREVINGE (P & O) 2nd
CANTON (P & O) ex-London 18
CHAMPOLLION (MM) ex-Marseilles 18
GLENGARRY (Jardine) ex-UK via Straits 18
GLENGARRY (Jardine) ex-UK via Straits 18
KAMOR (HIL) 17
MAREKIRK (HIL) 17
TALABOT (Thoresen) 18
CARTHAGE (P & O) ex-London 18
KOREA (EA) 18
MOLNENK (HIL) 17
CORFU (P & O) ex-London 21
CANTON (P & O) ex-London 18

INDIA

CHAK SANG (Jardine) ex-Calcutta 18
DAYBEAM (HIL) ex-Calcutta via Straits 27
HIGHER HILL (HIL) ex-Calcutta 27
THIRUVA (P & O) ex-Japan 18
SANGOLA (HIL) ex-Calcutta via Straits 20
SIRDHANA (HIL) ex-Calcutta 18
CHANGTE (B & S) 17
KUTSANG (Jardine) ex-Japan 22
POYANG (B & S) ex-Kobe 11
SHIRALA (HIL) 17
TIEVEAN (P & O) ex-Japan 18
WOSANG (Jardine) ex-Japan 14
DAYBEAM (HIL) 18
SANGOLA (HIL) ex-Japan 18
BRADVERETT (Everett) ex-Manila 23
CARRICK BEND (Everett) ex-Manila 23
CHANGSANG (Jardine) ex-Straits and
Singapore 18
CHINA TRANSPORT (Jardine) 6
HEINRICH JESSEN (B & S) ex-Sin-
gapore 6
JAVANES PRINCE (Jardine) 12
KWEIYANG (B & S) ex-Singapore 12
MAUWANG (Jardine) ex-Batavia 10
NORVEGETT (Everett) ex-Batavia 10
PRODUCE (B & S) ex-Batavia 10
SINKIANG (B & S) ex-Batavia 10
TASMAN (HIL) ex-Macassar 14
PRES. FILLMORE (APL) ex-Phil-
ippines 18
SIRDHANA (HIL) ex-Calcutta and
Straits 18
BOISEVAIN (HIL) 31
STRAAT MALAKKA (HIL) 5

SOUTH-EAST PORTS

BRADVERETT (Everett) ex-Manila 23
CARRICK BEND (Everett) ex-Manila 23
CHANGSANG (Jardine) ex-Straits and
Singapore 18
CHINA TRANSPORT (Jardine) 6
HEINRICH JESSEN (B & S) ex-Sin-
gapore 6
JAVANES PRINCE (Jardine) 12
KWEIYANG (B & S) ex-Singapore 12
MAUWANG (Jardine) ex-Batavia 10
NORVEGETT (Everett) ex-Batavia 10
PRODUCE (B & S) ex-Batavia 10
SINKIANG (B & S) ex-Batavia 10
TASMAN (HIL) ex-Macassar 14
PRES. FILLMORE (APL) ex-Phil-
ippines 18
SIRDHANA (HIL) ex-Calcutta and
Straits 18
BOISEVAIN (HIL) 31
STRAAT MALAKKA (HIL) 5

SOUTH AMERICA

BOISEVAIN (HIL) 31
STRAAT MALAKKA (HIL) 5
AJAX (B & S) ex-New York 1
FERNDALE (Thoresen) 18
FERNFIELD (Thoresen) 18
GRETE MAERSK (Jabson) ex-New
York 12
JAVA MAIL (Everett) ex-Vancouver,
Seattle 16
OREGON (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver 16
ROCKSIDE (Dodwell) ex-New York, End
PIONEER COVE (USL) ex-New
York, Boston 24
PIONEER SEA (USL) ex-New York 20
PRES. GRANT (APL) ex-Baltimore 24
STELL NAVIGATOR (Gillman) ex-
Seattle 18
STELLA LYKES (APL) ex-Houston
via Shanghai, Japan 6
TITANIA (Dodwell) 6

SAILINGS TO SOUTH AFRICA

23 RUIYI (HIL).
23 STRAAT BOENDA (HIL).
18 BOISEVAIN (HIL).
18 STRAAT MALAKKA (HIL).
Feb. 6
6 ISLAND MAIL (Everett) via Shang-
hai, Japan.
6 STEEL SHAPFARER (Gillman) for
New York.
6 AMERICAN MAIL (Everett).
6 FLYING CLIPPER (Pattison) for
New York.
6 MANDEVILLE (Thoresen) via Manila
and New York, Baltimore (calls, Pacific
Coast).
6 OREGON (Dodwell) for New York.
6 PIONEER WAVE (USL) for New York,
Philadelphia, Baltimore.
6 OCEAN MAIL (Everett) via Shang-
hai, Peking.
6 PIONEER LAKE (USL) for New
York, Boston.
6 IDALIO (Dodwell) for Vancouver,
Seattle.
6 LEISE MAERSK (Jabson) for New
York, Philadelphia, Baltimore.
6 PRES. TYLER (APL) for Boston via
Straits.
6 PIONEER LAKE (USL) for New
York.

AMERICA ATLANTIC COAST

1. CITY OF ALMA (Wallen), for New
York.
2. STEEL WORKER (Gillman), for New
York, Baltimore, Philadelphia.
3. FERNFIELD (Thoresen) via Manila
and Batavia.
4. SALLY MAERSK (Jabson) for New
York, Philadelphia.

11 OREGON (Dodwell) for Vancouver,

11 PRESIDENT FILLMORE (APL)
(calls Pacific Coast).
10 PIONEER COVE (USL) for New
York, Boston.
10 JAYA MAIL (Everett) via Shanghai,
Batavia.
10 SELMA SALEN (Hunt).
10 FERNDALE (Thoresen).
10 PRES. GRANT (APL) for Boston via
Straits.
Apr. 2
2 COLORADO (Dodwell) for Vancouver.
16 HOPEVILLE (Thoresen) via Manila
and Batavia.
20 PRES. JOHNSON (APL) for Boston
via Straits.
20 PRES. HARRISON (APL) for Boston
via Straits.
Mar. 1
20 FERNDALE (Thoresen).
17 PRES. FILLMORE (APL) for Boston
via Straits.

PACIFIC COAST

6 NEW YORK VICTORY (U.S.) for
San Francisco.
9 SKAUVANN (Hunt).

FRANCE

10 PRES. FILLMORE (APL) for San
Francisco via Shanghai, Japan.
13 PRES. CLEVELAND (APL) for San
Francisco via Shanghai and Japan.
10 VINGNES (Wallen) for Los Angeles,
San Francisco.
10 GEN. MEIGS (APL) for Honolulu
via San Francisco via Manila.
10 TEMERAIRE (Thoresen) via Shang-
hai and Japan.
23 FLYING DRAGON (USL) for San
Francisco.
20 LAKELAND VICTORY (USL) for San
Francisco via Shanghai and Japan.
20 LUXEMBURG VICTORY (USL) for
San Francisco.
20 FRANCISVILLE (Bank) for Los
Angeles, San Francisco.

Mar.

1 PRES. MCKINLEY (APL) for San
Francisco via Japan.
5 PRES. WILSON (APL) for San
Francisco via Shanghai and Japan.
7 GREAT REPUBLIC (USL) for San
Francisco via Shanghai and Japan.
Mid. TRITON (Dodwell) via Shanghai
and Japan.
17 PRESIDENT TAFT (APL) for San
Francisco via Shanghai, Japan.
21 PRES. E. DANT (Dodwell) for
Los Angeles and San Francisco.
21 SURPRISE (USL) for San Francisco,
Los Angeles.

April

6 SEA HERPET (USL) for San
Francisco.
6 GEN. M.C. MEIGS (APL) for San
Francisco via Manila.
7 TITANIA (Dodwell) for Los Angeles,
Frisco.
Mid. TITANIA (Dodwell) via Shanghai,
Japan.
Mid. TALISMAN (Dodwell) via Shang-
hai, Japan.

AUSTRALIA

Feb. 6
6 AROS (Dodwell) for Brisbane, Syd-
ney, Melbourne, Adelaide.
11 SHANG (B & S) for Sydney,
Melbourne.
20 CHANTO (B & S) for Sydney.
Mar. 2
Early KAPRISTAN (Jardine) for Bris-
bane, Sydney, Melbourne.
Mid. NANKIN (E & A) via Rabaul.
20 CITOS (Dodwell) for Brisbane, Sydney
via Manila.

CHINA

7 HAI FUI (CMRN) for Takao and
Shanghai.
7 WINGSANG (Jardine) for Shanghai.
8 HANYANG (B & S) for Inchon.
9 HAIYANG (B & S) for Swatow.
9 HAIYANG (Douglas) for Swatow.
11 KAPRISTAN (Jardine) for Shanghai,
Japan.
11 SHENKONG (B & S) for Shanghai.
12 KWEIYANG (B & S) for Shanghai.
13 HEINRICH JESSEN (B & S) for
Amoy, Swatow.
13 WINGSANG (Jardine) for Shanghai.
13 RINKERK (HIL) for Shanghai,
Japan.
20 NORVEGETT (Everett) for Shang-
hai, Inchon.
22 SANGOLA (HIL) for Amoy and Japan.
Mar. 2
6 TREVINGE (P & O) for Japan.
6 DAYBEAM (HIL).
6 SIRDHANA (HIL).
Feb. 6
6 ANCHISES (B & S) for Havre.
6 MALACA (EA Co.) for Aden, Port
Said, Genoa, Olo.
6 TREVINGE (P & O) for London and
Continental.
6 FLYING CLIPPER (Pattison) for
Aden, Alexandria.
10 TONGHAI (Gillman) for Aden, Genoa,
Marseilles.
12 HONG BANG (H.R. Co.) via Manila.
17 BRECONSHIRE (Jardine) for UK via
Suez.
17 CARTHAGE (P & O) for London.
17 CYCLOPS (B & S) for Liverpool via
Port Said.
Bez. MONGOLIA (EA Co.).
End. BENDORAN (Loxley) for Liverpool.

EUROPE

Feb. 6
6 ANCHISES (B & S) for Havre.
6 MALACA (EA Co.) for Aden, Port
Said, Genoa, Olo.
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Port Said.
Bez. MONGOLIA (EA Co.).
End. BENDORAN (Loxley) for Liverpool.

INDIA

Feb. 6
6 ANCHISES (B & S) for Havre.
6 MALACA (EA Co.) for Aden, Port
Said, Genoa, Olo.
6 TREVINGE (P & O) for London and
Continental.
6 FLYING CLIPPER (Pattison) for
Aden, Alexandria.
10 TONGHAI (Gillman) for Aden, Genoa,
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17 CYCLOPS (B & S) for Liverpool via
Port Said.
Bez. MONGOLIA (EA Co.).
End. BENDORAN (Loxley) for Liverpool.

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

Arrivals

AIR FRANCE ex-Hanoi 5 p.m.
CINAC ex-Amoy via Swatow 12.40 p.m.
0 p.m.; ex-Canton 8.40 a.m., 10.10
a.m., 11 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2.55 p.m.,
5.35 p.m., 8.10 p.m.; ex-San Francisco
via Honolulu, Wake, Guam 1 p.m.;
ex-Shanghai 12.10 p.m.
CATO ex-Chungking via Canton 2.15
p.m.
CFA ex-Manila 11.30 a.m.; ex-Singapore
via Bangkok 2.30 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton 9.40 a.m.,
11.40 a.m., 2.40 p.m., 4.40 p.m.; ex-
Shanghai 5 p.m.
HRAATHIENS ex-Olo, Bangkok 3 p.m.

TOMORROW

ONAC ex-Amoy via Swatow 12.40 p.m.,
0 p.m.; ex-Canton 8.40 a.m., 10.10
a.m., 11 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2.55 p.m.,
5.35 p.m., 8.10 p.m.; ex-San Francisco
via Honolulu, Wake, Guam 1 p.m.;
ex-Shanghai 12.10 p.m.
CATO ex-Chungking via Canton 2.15
p.m.
CFA ex-Manila 11.30 a.m.; ex-Singapore
via Bangkok 2.30 p.m.
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CFA ex-Manila 11.30 a.m.; ex-Singapore
via Bangkok 2.30 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton 9.40 a.m.,
11.40 a.m., 2.40 p.m., 4.40 p.m.; ex-
Shanghai 5 p.m.
HRAATHIENS ex-Olo, Bangkok 3 p.m.

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A Time Of Reckoning

New York, February 4. The Federal Judge, Mr. Harold Medina, today warned the defence in the trial of 11 top United States Communists that, if they keep up their harassing tactics, "there'll be a time of reckoning."

Mr. Medina charged one defence attorney with "impertinence."—United Press.

Filipinos' Complaint

(Continued from Page 1)

"There were soldiers all over the place. The buildings were mostly unoccupied. The Filipinos were crowded here and there and there were many air-raid shelters in between."

"We were berthed alongside the jetty and our sister ship, the North West, flying the Filipino flag, now undergoing repairs at Talkoo Dockyard, was nearby. Two days before we were due to depart after a fortnight's stay there, two unidentified planes circled overhead for some time. The soldiers took positions along the waterfront. The coolies and pedestrians ran into shelters. There was no firing, however. The master decided to leave on the following morning, one day before schedule."

"During our second visit late last month, a British steamer visited Shi Tau. As soon as she was noticed along the horizon, the same frantic 'war precaution' was taken by both pedestrians and the vessel. The approaching vessel, formerly a naval craft, stayed about half a mile offshore."

No Foreigners

"There was not a sign of any Europeans. On and off we had been at Shi Tau for more than a month. The people treated us with great suspicion and after dark we had to keep indoors or be escorted by some officials. Soldiers roamed the streets day and night, with their bayonets on and in full battle array."

"The soldiers visited the ship practically every day. To keep out of any possible friction with them, many of us kept aboard most of the time. 'Shi Tau is a small town. The people looked well-fed, though we noticed something akin to terror in their slinking manner towards visitors.'

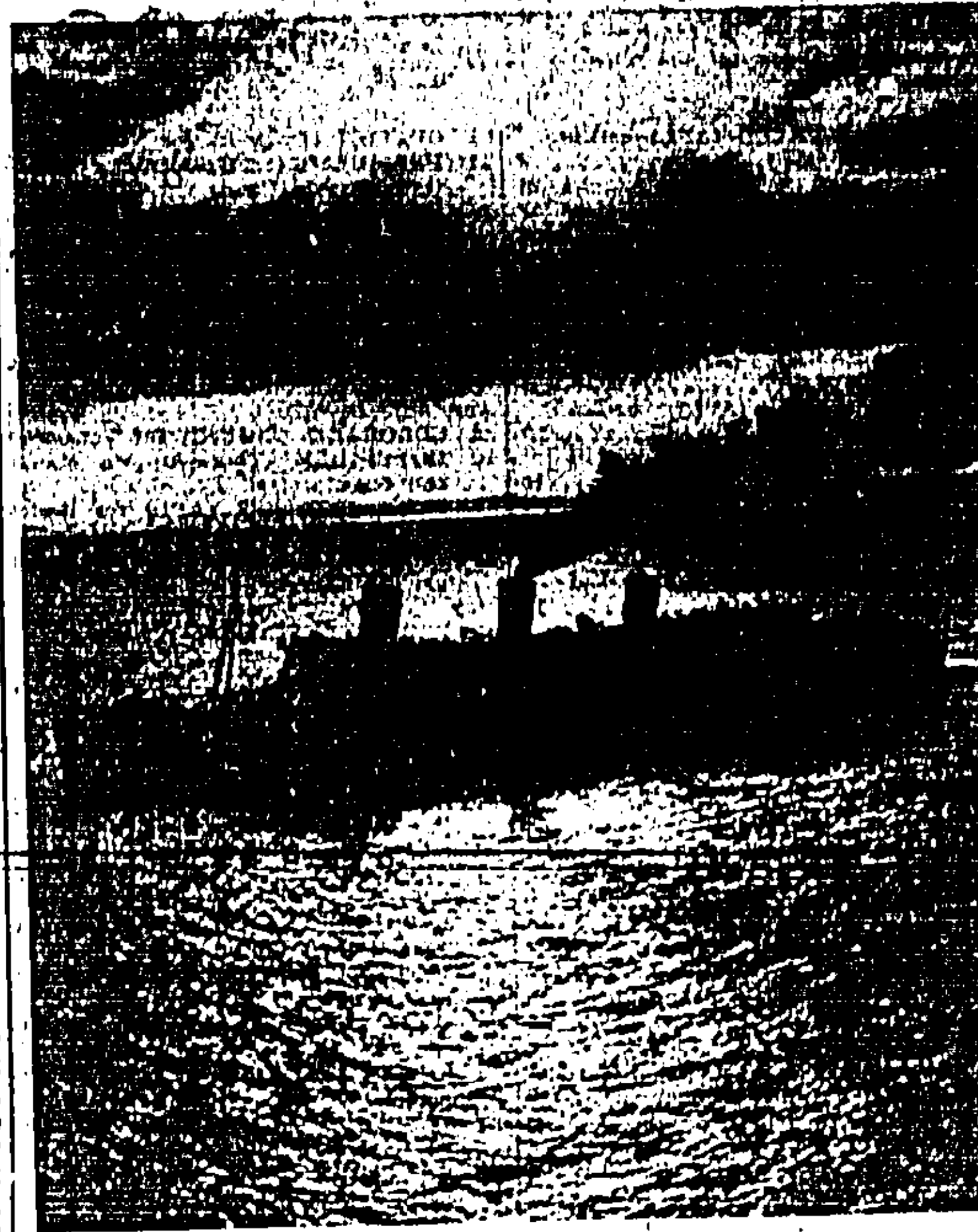
"The exchange depreciated on our second trip. At first we changed one HK dollar for \$3,000 Chinese currency. That became \$5,000 on our last visit."

The radio operator reported that on the way up they met a Chinese Navy transport which "blinked" to them to inquire about their destination. The North Star met another Chinese naval craft off Shanghai en route to Hong Kong on her last trip.

"They seemed satisfied to know that we were bound for Chennampo," he said.

The Danish master of the North Star, Mr. U. Rasmussen, denied that the ship called at Shi Tau. "We cleared for Chennampo and discharged our cargo there," he stated. The Filipinos left the ship because they could not stand the extreme cold weather up North, he declared.

"The American officer deserted my ship last month. He left on the very night the ship was due to sail for the North. We were



Sunshine breaking through the storm clouds provided this striking study of the Cunard-White Star liner "Queen Mary", silhouetted against the sea as she headed for Cowes Roads, after a twelve-hour spell aground on a sandbank outside Cherbourg Harbour. The receding French coastline can be seen in the background. The great ship, grounded in a gale, was freed by four French tugs at high water.—(AP Photo).

Kluge's Exhibition Attracts Art Lovers

An art exhibition at Gloucester Arcade by Mr. C. C. Kluge attracted a large number of resident art lovers in the past few days.

Mr. Kluge has, in a comparatively short time, amassed a following of art lovers in the big cities of China, including Shanghai and Peking. His secret lies in the sincerity which he puts into his presentation.

The artist has a real background of concentrated studies in China and also in France, where he graduated in the Academy of Fine Arts in Paris.

In an interview with the "Sunday Herald," Mr. Kluge said that an artist should be "universal" and should be able to express anything graphically, anything visible and worth expressing.

Limited Landscape

He thinks that the scope of landscape painting in the Colony

is limited in that for the greater part of the year, the Colony is predominantly shrouded in green and of a shade which does not make landscape painting inspiring.

On painting portraits Mr. Kluge said: "It is essential for me to get acquainted with the mentality of my model before I start painting, and the success of the portrait depends generally on personal sympathy with the model."

"There is always hesitation when selecting pose, light, the angle under which to view the model, etc., between the most characteristic ones and those that I think more becoming to the model, more flattering," he said.

"There the artist has to use his psychology. When painting young and pretty creatures, my personal tendency is to emphasise as much as possible their best points and to paint an attractive picture at the same time as a portrait, since their physical beauty is their main characteristic."

"That is as long as my models have not developed their mentality and sentimentality, which places them somewhat above that mass preoccupation to please and to seduce."

"Unfortunately very often that natural and psychological evolution occurs to people far too late."

No Standardised Image

Mr. Kluge said that it is much easier when people realise that their features may be attractive because they bear the expression of their philosophical views on life, their personal or national characteristics and not a standardised average image of the beauty salon conception.

"Excessive make up is my enemy," the artist emphasised. "It results in the painting of a painting. Make up is an artificial dissimulation of the character."

Speaking of modern art and the old style, Mr. Kluge said that modern art is mainly a reaction to the horrors of the Renaissance style which issued from Rome and dominated Europe for nearly five centuries.

"The idea then, was to represent whatever painted technically

Czech Official Suspended

Lake Success, February 4. Mr. Josef Korb, the Czechoslovak member of the United Nations Commission for Kashmir, has been suspended from his post by the Prague Government and has announced his intention to seek sanctuary in the United States. It was learned here. —Router.

Gold Bar Confiscated

Leung Wing, aged 32, arrived in the Colony from Saigon on January 29 and decided to go to Canton by the morning train yesterday. At the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station he was asked whether he had anything to declare, and replied in the negative.

Chinese Revenue Officer found a two-oz. bar of gold in the watch pocket of Leung's European-style trousers.

The gold, valued at \$500, was, on the application of Revenue Inspector D. H. Knox, ordered by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr later in the morning to be confiscated. Leung was discharged with a caution.

EXTORTION

On the charge of extortion before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday was Lam Chung-lin, grade 2 gardener attached to Government House.

The allegation of the prosecution was that Lam demanded HK\$30 from Ho Cheung-ling who was seen cutting flowering shrubs on the hillside on January 21.

The demand was said to have been made at 272 Lockhart Road on February 4, when Lam demanded the sum as the price for immunity from prosecution.

On the application of Sub-Inspector S.Y. Wong, the case was remanded for three days.

TOC H CONCERT

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Talbot House (To H), 50, Macdonnell Road at 8.30 p.m. today.

The programme will include Trumpet tune in D—Puccini, Concerto in D major for violin and orchestra—Brahms, Toccata and Fugue in D minor—Bach, Flocks in pastures green—Abiding (sung by Isobel Baillie)—Bach, Toccata—Widor, Symphony in A major, No. 4 "Italian"—Mendelssohn.

so well that it looked real. Ambition seldom went beyond that. "Nowadays we want not only to copy nature but to concentrate in our painting all these characteristics of the subjects painted which we call character. If we copy we emphasise it, we underline it so that our painting becomes not only a good likeness but is an accumulation in one picture of quite a number of characteristic expressions of the subject. No camera can do this concentration work."

Go Too Far

It is Mr. Kluge's opinion that many artists these days go too far in this way of viewing art. "They assure us," he said, "that the big thing is not so much to express what they see but their own feeling when they paint and to express their own personality at all costs."

He maintained that it is important to know when to stop painting. "I feel I have reached the moment I consider that I have expressed what I want. Anything I do after that may add precision but it is sure to diminish the character. And it is dangerous at this stage to listen to advice and suggestions."

"It is important, I feel, to leave room for the imagination of the spectator. For when we do that, the spectator will feel that he has been presented with food which is not only cooked but also chewed and digested."

The art exhibition, at Arcade will continue until February 13. Besides the high standard of Mr. Kluge's artistry, which is the main point of attraction, a number of portraits of local personalities serve as an important factor in the exhibition.

These portraits include those of Mrs. Allison Owens, Dr. R.R. Scriven in uniform, and Mr. and Mrs. L. Blau.

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Recreio Defeat KCC As Army Lose To IRC

Scorpions, Optimists Battle To Draw; Navy Beat CCC

The greatest victory of the local cricket season was recorded by Club de Recreio at Cox's Road yesterday, when they beat Kowloon Cricket Club by 10 wickets in a First League Cricket match.

At Sookunpoo, Army went down to a crushing seven wicket defeat at the hands of Indian Recreation Club.

High scoring featured the encounter between HKCC "Scorpions" and HKCC "Optimists" at Chater Road, the game ending in a draw when the "Optimists" only needed three runs for victory.

RAF were entertained by the Hong Kong University at Pokfulam and suffered an overwhelming defeat, losing to the Undergraduates by eight wickets.

Recreio—KCC

Club de Recreio scored the greatest victory of the season when they defeated Kowloon Cricket Club by 10 wickets in a First League cricket match at Cox's Road.

KCC, who batted first, were only able to muster 34 runs. N. Hart-Baker, opening bat for KCC, top-scored with 25. E. L. Gosano took three wickets for 12 runs. Going in at 4.25 p.m., L. G. Gosano and A. M. Prata, the opening batsmen for the Portuguese team, had 86 on the board by 5.15 p.m. when the innings was declared closed.

Besides scoring 32 not out for his team, L. G. Gosano also took one KCC wicket, that of G. E. Taylor, for the loss of one run, after four overs.

KCC	Recreio
N. Hart-Baker, b. E. L. Gosano	25
W. M. Davidson, c. Rodrigues	10
b. G. N. Gosano	1
A. Zimmermann, b. G. N. Gosano	10
E. R. Zimmermann, b. G. N. Gosano	10
T. A. Mader, b. Pereira	10
G. E. Taylor, c. Rodrigues	1
L. G. Gosano	5
D. Langston-Jones, b. E. L. Gosano	14
E. C. Fincher, c. L. G. Gosano	1
P. Pereira	8
V. C. Bond, run out	1
J. Hewitt, not out	1
R. E. Lee, c. Pereira, b. E. L. Gosano	6
Gosano	1
Extras	1
Total	94

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
A. P. Pereira	14	2	27	2
G. N. Gosano	3	2	27	3
L. G. Gosano	4	3	1	1
H. L. Ozorio	6	1	10	0
E. L. Gosano	6.3	1.12	3	3

RECREIO	O	M	R	W
L. G. Gosano, not out	32			
A. M. Prata, not out	51			
Extras	3			
Total (for no wickets)	86			

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
G. N. Gosano, b. E. L. Gosano	1			
E. M. L. Soares, P. M. N. da Silva	1			
H. L. Ozorio, A. M. Rodrigues	1			
N. A. Beltrao, A. P. Pereira, and S. T. Gosano, did not bat				

Scorpions—Optimists	O	M	R	W
P. R. Zimmermann	2	0	18	0
R. E. Lee	3	0	29	0
W. M. Davidson	3	0	12	0
N. Hart-Baker	2.1	0	10	0
G. E. Taylor	1	0	5	0

IRC—Army

At Sookunpoo, Indian Recreation Club scored a brilliant victory over Army, whom they beat by seven wickets in a First League Cricket match.

Batting first, Army were skittled out for the meagre total of 37, the only batsmen to reach double figures being Stepto, who scored 13 before being given out lbw.

IRC were strengthened by the inclusion of A. R. Minu, veteran Interceptor, who took four wickets for 17 runs. Bowling honours went to young "John" Arculli, however, who dismissed six of the Army batsmen for 10 runs. Arculli bowled 12 overs, six of which were maidens.

The Indians scored the necessary runs for victory without much difficulty and at the close of play had 42 runs to their credit for the loss of three wickets.

Jones was the most successful Army bowler, taking two wickets for nine runs.

ARMY	IRC
Hutchinson, c. S. A. Ismail, b. Arculli	2
Banton, c. A. K. Ismail, b. A. R. Minu	8
Borton, c. A. R. Abbas, b. Arculli	0
Dave, c. M. I. Razack, b. Arculli	0
Murray-Brown, lbw, b. Arculli	0
Halg, c. S. A. Ismail, b. A. R. Minu	0
Dodson, c. I. M. Omar, b. Arculli	4
Jebb, b. A. R. Minu	1
Jones, c. A. R. Abbas, b. Arculli	0
Barrett, not out	13
Stepto, lbw, b. A. R. Minu	13
Extras	4
Total	37

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
A. el Arculli	12	6	16	6
A. R. Minu	11.5	8	17	4

IRC	O	M	R	W
M. I. Razack, c. Dave, b. Jones	14			
S. A. Ismail, c. Hutchinson, b. Jones	9			
A. R. Kitchell, c. Banton, b. A. R. Minu	14			
Extras	4			
Total for three wickets	42			

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Stepto	3	—	9	—
Banton	3.2	—	19	—
Jones	2	1	9	2

Scorpions—Optimists	O	M	R	W
Stepto	3	—	9	—
Banton	3.2	—	19	—
Jones	2	1	9	2

Scorpions—Optimists	O	M	R	W
P. R. Zimmermann	2	0	18	0
R. E. Lee	3	0	29	0
W. M. Davidson	3	0	12	0
N. Hart-Baker	2.1	0	10	0
G. E. Taylor	1	0	5	0

Taking first lease of the wicket, the "Scorpions" knocked up 185 for three declared. Stokes and Pearce, their opening batsmen, were in fine form and punished the bowling from the start. Scoring freely all round the wicket, they had 82 and 85 to their credit respectively when dismissed.

The "Optimists" also showed little respect for the bowling to which they were opposed and at the close of play had mustered 183 for seven.

Franklin was top-scorer with 47, closely followed by Ken Miller, who scored 42 not out. Kibbee also did well with the bat, hitting out brightly for 38 before being given out lbw.

Stokes followed up his fine batting performance by being the most successful bowler for the "Scorpions"—taking two wickets for 24 runs.

"SCORPIONS"	O	M	R	W
Stokes, c. and b. McEllan	82			
Pearce, b. Smith	85			
Loach, not out	6			
Newton, c. and b. Smith	3			
Extras	9			
Total for 3 wickets dec.	185			

(Kerr, Owen Hughes, Richardson, Howarth, Macleod, Gee and Claxton did not bat.)

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Minlon	11	1	66	2
Smith	10	1	34	2
McEllan	9	—	43	1
Arthy	3	—	33	—

"OPTIMISTS"	O	M	R	W
Little, c. Stewart, b. Pearce	12			
Kibbee, lbw, b. Pearce	38			
Habershon, lbw, b. Pearce	20			
Oliver, c. and b. Howarth	47			
Arthy, run out	4			
Franklin, b. Stokes	47			
Rowe, lbw, Howarth	11			
Ken Miller, not out	42			
T. H. Mahen, c. Pearce, b. Stokes	5			
McEllan, not out	0			
Extras	4			
Total for 7 wickets	183			

(Ersen and Smith did not bat.)

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Howarth	18	5	57	2
Owen Hughes	4	—	23	—
Pearce	10	—	48	2
Stokes	7	—	24	2
Gee	4	—	27	—

CCC	O	M	R	W
R. Tay, c. Habershon, b. Browne	1			
P. J. Billimoria, b. Hart	1			
S. Ramchand, run out	0			
G. A. Souza, c. and b. Thornley	49			
J. L. Youngs, c. Brown, b. Hart	4			
I. France, lbw White	14			
A. H. Ismail, not out	5			
R. France, c. Habershon, b. White	5			
J. Crabtree, run out	2			
A. M. Omar, c. and b. White	0			
E. H. Esmail, c. Hart, b. White	0			
Extras	4			
Total	79			

RAF suffered an overwhelming defeat at Pokfulam yesterday, when they went down to Hong Kong University by eight wickets in a First League cricket match.

The Airmen, batting first, were all out for 71 runs, A/C Follet being top-scorer with 16 not out.

T. H. Leen was in fine fettle with the ball, sending seven batsmen back to the Pavilion for only 30 runs.

The Undergraduates knocked off the necessary runs for victory after losing two wickets. L. T. Ride showed a welcome return to form and had 32 not out to his credit at the close of play. J. M. Gosano was next best with 27 not out.

RAF	U.G.
S/L Gall, b. Teh	8
F/O Marshall, b. Leen	10
F/S Crellin, run out	1
A/C Beltrio, b. Teh	11
F/L Hinchwood, b. Leen	4
A/C Morris, b. Leen	7
W/O Clarke, b. Leen	2
Cpl Hayhurst, b. Leen	1

F/O Gambrell, b. Leen	0
A/O Follet, not out	16
Cpl Hodgson, b. Leen	10
Extras	5
Total	31

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
T. H. Leen	12.5	2	30	7
S. M. Teh	12	2	36	2

UNIVERSITY	O	M	R	W
S. M. Teh, b. Hodgson	8			
T. Lo, c. Follet, b. Gambrell	27			
J. M. Gosano, not out	32			
L. T. Ride, not out	32			
Extras	7			
Total for two wickets	72			

C. L. Huang, D. C. Henson, S. A. Vauar, N. L. T. H. Leen, and A. M. Omar, did not bat				
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Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Gambrell	9	2	30	1
Hodgson	1	1	25	1
Crellin	1	1	5	1

Navy—CCC	O	M	R	W
Royal Navy beat Craigengower CC by 15 runs in the last over of the day in their First League cricket match at King's Park yesterday.				

With Billimoria, Crabtree and Omar bowling in top form, the Navy found runs hard to get and lost three early wickets. Then Frank came to the rescue and knocked up 32 runs before being bowled.

When it came to their turn to bat, Craigengower fared even worse and lost four wickets for six runs. George Souza and J. France stopped the rot and, by batting patiently, almost succeeded in giving the Valley team victory. Souza, who scored a faultless 40, truly played a Captain's innings.

White was the most successful bowler for Navy, capturing four wickets for 21 runs.

ROYAL NAVY	O	M	R	W
White, c. Omar, b. Billimoria	10			
Workman, b. Crabtree	12			
Habershon, lbw, b. Billimoria	0			
Hart, c. Tay, b. Billimoria	32			
Byng, c. and b. Crabtree	9			
Pogson, c. Ismail, b. Billimoria	7			
Thornley, c. Ismail, b. Omar	10			
Fluck, c. France, b. Billimoria	0			
Veneable, not out	9			
Browne, c. Souza, b. Omar	0			
Parish, c. and b. Crabtree	4			
Extras	14			
Total	94			

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Billimoria	14	2	43	5
Crabtree	11.5	3	31	3
Omar	3	1	6	2

CCC	O	M	R	W
R. Tay, c. Habershon, b. Browne	1			
P. J. Billimoria, b. Hart	1			
S. Ramchand, run out	0			
G. A. Souza, c. and b. Thornley	49			
J. L. Youngs, c. Brown, b. Hart	4			
I. France, lbw White	14			
A. H. Ismail, not out	5			
R. France, c. Habershon, b. White	5			
J. Crabtree, run out	2			
A. M. Omar, c. and b. White	0			
E. H. Esmail, c. Hart, b. White	0			
Extras	4			
Total	79			

Recreio—KCC	O	M	R	W
In a Second League cricket match at King's Park, Club de Recreio beat Kowloon Cricket Club by three wickets.				

Against the deadly bowling of Gutierrez and Alves, KCC found runs hard to get and if it were not for a fine fighting innings by Hancock, who scored 58 runs, they would have been out for a very small total.

Recreio knocked off the necessary runs for victory with three wickets to spare. E. A. R. Alves being top-scorer with 25 retired. D. G. White took two wickets for six runs.

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Y. Motiwalla	13	0	19	3
S. Abao	3	1	6	0
Rumjahn	8	2	22	2
E. A. R. Alves	2	0	3	0
F. M. el Arculli	4	2	5	4

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
White	14	2	43	5
Crabtree	11.5	3	31	3
Omar	3	1	6	2

CCC	O	M	R	W
R. Tay, c. Habershon, b. Browne	1			
P. J. Billimoria, b. Hart	1			
S. Ramchand, run out	0			
G. A. Souza, c. and b. Thornley	49			
J. L. Youngs, c. Brown, b. Hart	4			
I. France, lbw White	14			
A. H. Ismail, not out	5			
R. France, c. Habershon, b. White	5			
J. Crabtree, run out	2			
A. M. Omar, c. and b. White	0			
E. H. Esmail, c. Hart, b. White	0			
Extras	4			
Total	79			

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Hart	9	4	10	2
Browne	8	3	24	1
White	9.5	3	21	4
Thornley	2	0	1	1

2ND DIVISION	O	M	R	W
IRC—Army				

In a low scoring Second League cricket match at Sookunpoo, Indian Recreation Club accounted for Army, whom they beat by 17 runs.

The Indians were all out for the small score of 74, to which Barker contributed 38. Stevenson took four wickets for 26 runs.

Against the deadly bowling of F. M. el Arculli, who took four wickets for five runs, the Army were all out for 37 runs. The only Army batsman to reach double figures was Evemy, who scored 14.

IRC	O	M	R	W
F. M. el Arculli, c. Stevenson	1			
M. A. Wahab, Sr., b. Stevenson	1			
A. H. el Miller	1			
A. K. Markar, b. Stevenson	2			
A. M. Rumjahn, b. Stevenson	38			
A. H. Barker, b. Miller	10			
A. R. Razack, c. Jones, b. Jones	10			
M. A. Wahab, Jr., lbw, b. Jones	10			
S. Abao, c. and b. Stevenson	4			
Y. Motiwalla, not out	1			
Extras	1			
Total	74			

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Miller	14	3	35	3
Stevenson	6.3	4	20	4
Jones	5	2	12	3

Bowling Analysis				
	O	M	R	W
Miller	14	3	35	3
Evenson	13	4	26	4
Wines	5	2	12	3

